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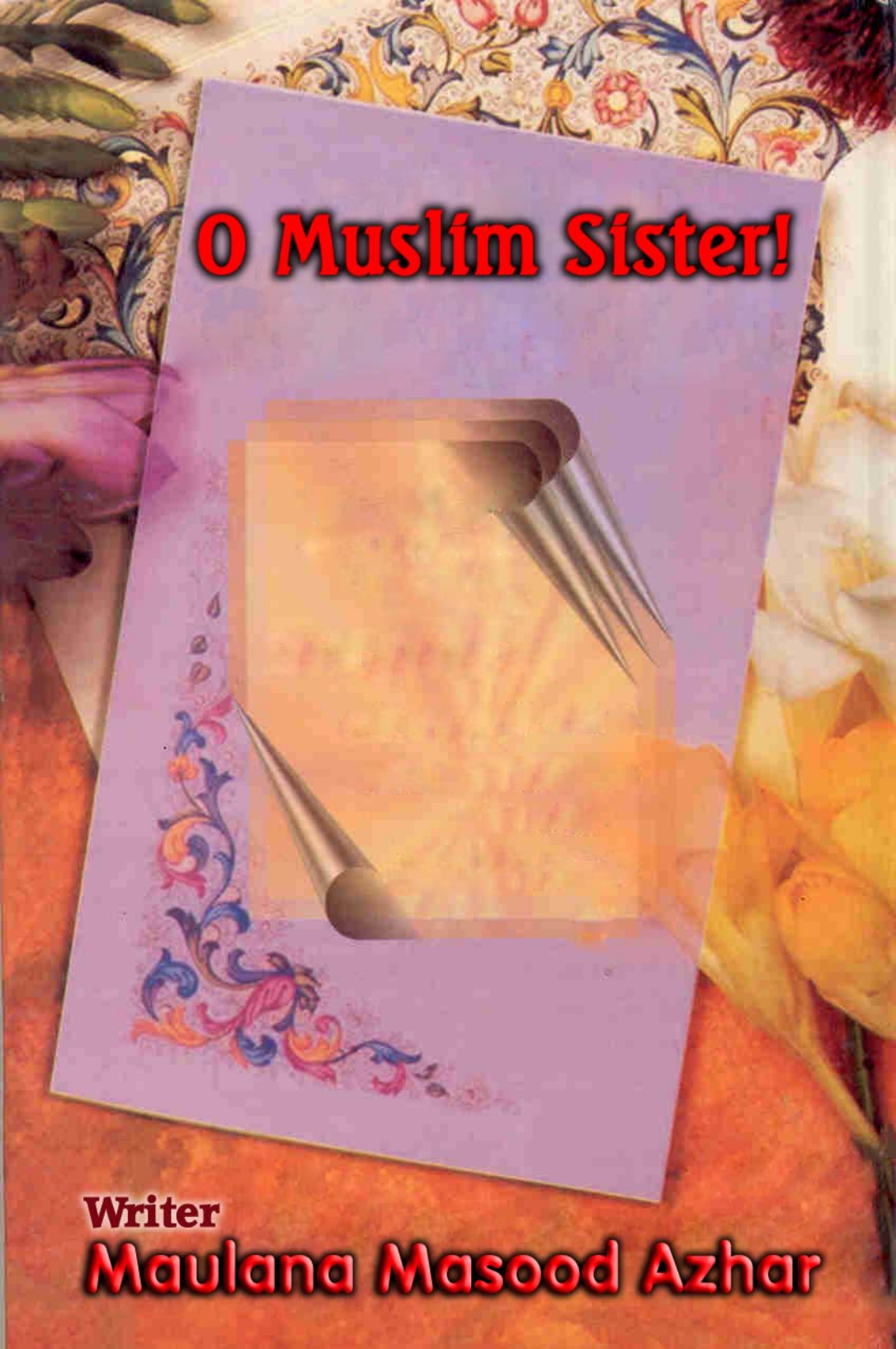

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PREFACE

FRAGRANCE IS ALWAYS TO SPREAD

The sacred word Banaat-e-Aisha[*] itself casts so sharp a spell over the man as soon as he reads or listens to it that his thoughts begin to fly fourteen hundred years back and thus the first focus of the eyes catches sight of the second to none figure Hazrat Aisha[*] whose unflinching faith, splendid achievements, high morals, good manners, deep religious devotion, piety and purity, bashfulness and modesty, deep love and devotion to learning and teaching, extremity of intelligence and shrewdness, eloquence and rhetoricism in conversation, self-possession and

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self-confidence, extreme retentive memory, solid knowledge of Muslim jurisprudence, firm and exact decisive power, courage, boldness and fearlessness, sacrifice and unselfishness, generosity and valour begin to shine like pearls on the heart's eye and illuminate like candles in the darkness of life. The second focus casts its glance upon her husband, the chief of the Prophets علیہ السلام, the Lord of the holy messengers علیہ السلام accomplished model for humanity, preceptor of manners and morals, spiritual guide of man, mentor of the universe, teacher of the teachers, mercy for both the worlds, beloved of Allah the Almighty and cause of creation Hazrat Muhammad ﷺ whose attributes and miracles cannot be committed by anyone to the paper and whose towering personality outshines all the perfections and standards of the models of humanity. The third focus of eye catches sight of her high-ranked esteemed father who is the cave companion, the post-rider, the devoted lover, the first Muslim, the first Caliph, the incarnation of exquisiteness and cuteness Hazrat Siddique-e-Akbar who is second to none in love and devotion to the Holy Prophet ﷺ. And in the same way, the fourth one automatically focuses upon the refulgence of guidance, the fountainhead of discernment and prudence, the source of verity and truth, the revealed book of Allah i.e., the Holy Quran whom Hazrat Aisha ؓ had made the syllabus of her studies and motto of her life.

Hazrat Aisha ؓ is that lucky woman who was born and bread in Hazrat Siddique-e-Akabar's ؓ house and got elementary education from there. She is that model lady who, during her adolescence and youth, got

special education and training under the kind supervision of the affections and compassions of the preceptor of mankind Hazrat Muhammad ﷺ. She is that fortunate and sagacious woman whose curriculum of reading was revealed from the skies which was designed and arranged by Allah, the Creator of the universe. The point of meditation is what would have been the status of the great character, magnificence of the attributes of learning and morality, and height of the perfection of personality who had undergone these three blessed and sacred factors in order to obtain education and training.

It is a fact that every mother wishes to educate and train her daughters in a way that not only her own personality but also all the good traits that can be found in the world of possibilities, may be reflected in her being so that she may look a complete model of effeminacy. Certainly, Hazrat Aisha ؓ, the mother of all the true Muslim ladies who is embellished with all the sterling traits of head and heart, also yearns to see all of her own attributes in all her sons and especially in daughters.

The great Mujahid, Ghaazi-e-Hind, Ameer-e-Jaish who is endowed with the qualities of thought, speech, imagination, perception, apprehension, sagacity, wisdom and foresight Hazrat Maulana Masood Azhar (may his blessings be forever) is worthy of congratulations who, in order to start education and training of Muslim sisters on the lines suggested by Hazrat Aisha ؓ for the education of her real daughters; started a reformative movement and training mission i.e., the publication of a sacred and blessed Magazine "Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ" in this age of apostasy of learning,

distraction of thought, and social and moral deterioration. The depth of his feelings, the grandeur of ardour, the style of writing, the mode of expression, the power of address and the passion of reformation with which the respected Ameer has edited the editorials of the Magazine, is worthy of him only. These editorials are an unruly flood of true values of compassion, sympathy, sincerity, selflessness, fear of Allah, love of the Lord, deep affections for the Holy Prophet, taste for worship, piety, purity, true Faith, boldness, fearlessness and passion for Jihad. These passionately rising waves not only embrace the harbours of the reader's thoughts and insight and broaden the range of his thinking and imagination but also create in him the passion for sacrifice, the urge for action, the enthusiasm for jihad and persuasion to practical work with a lightening rapidity. The efficacy of his speech and writing can easily be estimated from the rush of letters written by the sisters to the Editorial Board. A glimpse of these letters is evident from the editorials.

As the daughters of Hazrat Aisha" are not only the readers of the Urdu language but also those of all other languages of the world. Hence, it is the right of every sister who may be living in any corner of the world and speaking any language, to reform herself by taking part in this reformative movement because Hazrat Aisha" who is the mother of all the daughters of the Muslim Ummah, wishes to reform and educate all of her daughters. Only with this passion in view, the venerable Ameer Muhammad Masood Azhar thought of inviting all the English speaking sisters to this sacred reformative movement. For this purpose, he decided to get the editorials of

"Banaat-e-Aisha"" translated into English (It is hoped that it will provide an incentive to many other people to do the same task in many other languages of the world). For this sacred task, his profound deep-sighted eyes glanced at Mr. Rasheed Ahmed Masood, a professor at Government College Chishtian, to translate these editorials into English in a very cultured, refined, easy, direct, eloquent, simple, comprehensible and literary language. The said Professor has a vast experience of many years of writing articles for Magazines, and also help books and Grammars for Matriculation, Intermediate and Degree classes. In this field, he is very popular with the teachers as well as students. Moreover, he has great passion for goodness, piety and sincerity for others. He is endowed with fear of Allah, service of His creature and service for Islam. Hence, he not only took on this responsibility but also shouldered this responsibility duly. In this translation, he has tried to maintain the real spirit of the writings on the one hand and has made utmost efforts to transfer the editor's intonation, power of expression, passions and feelings and power of efficacy on the other hand. May Allah grant this sacred effort of the said Professor with acceptance and also grant him powers to do many of such other goodnesses.

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INTRODUCTION

A WORD ABOUT THE BOOK

It is said, "If you educate a man, you educate an individual; if you educate a woman, you educate a family." The saying still holds good. The reason is that man gets busy in earning his livelihood and in other affairs of life after getting education and training. Therefore he is left with neither any opportunity nor leisure to work for the correction and reformation of the other members of the society. On the other hand, Allah has created woman totally different from man. When she grows up and emerges as a wife or mother leaving behind the stage of

daughter or sisters. She develops warm and passionate love with her husband and children. As Allah has endowed her with the capacity of efficaciousness, he has also blessed her with the quality of influencing others. As she conquers her husband with her sweet and kind temper and her coquetry, she influences her children many times better than it due to the deep abiding bond of motherhood. That is why a thinker says "The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world." And only that woman can be the true ruler who is properly educated and trained.

She gets the opportunity of remaining the maiden teacher of her children for four or five years. The children also get the chance of being her sole disciples one by one and get education and training in her kind and compassionate lap. Hence, the education and training of the new generation depends mainly upon woman.

Worthy Ameer Hazrat Maulana Muhammad Masood Azhar started and ignited the movement of Jihad in an age when the whole pagan world is against it single-mindedly and is plotting and conspiring to wipe it out. For this purpose, he began to make efforts for the revival of Jihad, domination of the Muslim Ummah and promulgation of Islamic System through speech,

writing, organization and Jihad training. For this same purpose, his far-sighted eyes fell upon the daughters of the Ummah and decided to make them the true daughters of Hazrat Aisha.

In his view so long as education, training and correction on the part of women is not started, no real progress can be possible, no success can be achieved and no reformation of the society can be effective. Keeping this object in view, he started the publication of the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha" which won laurels and appreciation beyond limits because the sisters gave it a warm reception with open arms. The number of its volumes, its popularity and the letters written by the sisters after acting upon the teachings of the magazine and reforming themselves is a clear proof of the passionate response of the sisters.

The book in hand "O Muslim Sister!" is a beautiful selection of the editorials of the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha". These editorials have been written by the venerable Ameer with his special, devotion and sincerity of purpose. They are no doubt literary masterpiece. The literary tinge in them and meaningfulness has embellished and enhanced the depth of feelings sand ardour of the author and has made them effective and forceful in a charming manner.

In this way, they are becoming the cause of reformation and correction of a number of Muslims sisters. Keeping their utility in view, the honourable Ameer thought of including the English reading sisters in its circle of reformation. It is hoped that this editorial book will further be translated into many other languages of the world.

For this purpose, the respected Ameer ordered me to translate the book "O Muslim Sister!" into English so that the English speaking community may also get benefit from it and reform itself. Considering it a great auspiciousness and a source of winning Allah's good-will, I have made this humble attempt to convert it into English trying to maintain the real spirit of the writings. Now, the English translation of the book is in your hands. Each quality which it bears is due to the grace and blessings of Allah the Almighty and each defect which it bears, is due to the translator. May Allah grant this book with acceptance and make it a source of reformation and correction of the Muslim Sisters and my salvation.

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THE FIRST GIFT FOR SISTERS

Brothers have always been presenting costly and priceless gifts to their sisters. This best gift used to be Islamic system and Islamic society. They would have aquired at the cost of their life and offer it to their sisters. It was then that the sisters, even staying at their homes would enjoy security, peace, honour and all the other blessings of both the worlds. If sometimes, they had to come out of the four walls of their houses, no eye could dare treason. The veil (Sharaee Parda) was so great a recognition of the pious woman that every eye would pay respects to her and every arm would become her guard. Owing to this gift of the brothers, every woman

was considered the embodiment of sanctity and modesty. But that sister in her turn would inspire enthusiasm and zeal in her brothers. The mothers used to recite Epics of Jihad (Holy War) while they suckled their babies. They themselves prepared their young ones for the battle-field. At that time, the brothers would be the warriors and the sisters used to be their supporters and guards.

Sweet and sacred words of love were used to serve as a subtle and tender deep-rooted bond between Allah and His people (men and women). Both the husband and the wife would be faithful to each other heart and soul. But alas! That golden age has now become a far-fetched fable. The memories of that glorious and enviable time seem day-dreams in this age of shamelessness and debauchery. Our sister who used to be the model of modesty, contentment, patience and sanctity is now becoming an unfortunate picture of avidity, covetousness, avarice and the worst symbol of cowardice. Now this mirror of modesty and piety is becoming foggy and misty and is about to crash. The Allah-worshipping girl who writhed the whole night in prayers to have communion with Allah, is now anxious to have a glance at men rather the matter has gone too far at some places. Some of the Muslim ladies fell so deep in the dirty trench of modern civilization that they became totally blind to bashfulness and modesty and consequently the daughter of Amma Aisha[ﷺ] became the centre of attention of the obscene eyes. Then this moat of dirt kept deepening even more. And now the situation has become so disgusting that it has become very difficult for us to address this so-called Muslim woman with the word 'Sister'. One

is not inclined to term this licentious woman as sister. Still we call her with the sacred word sister under the obligations of deep bond of "Kalima" and compassions of the heart. Would that she may retrace her steps! Would that she may realize her dignity!

I think the brothers should be mostly accused for what has befallen and is befalling the sisters. Frankly speaking, the brothers did not offer any sacrifice. They neither gave them the great present of the Islamic social system nor even safeguarded their modesty, nor even bothered to remain vigilant with regard to their sanctity, but they themselves became licentious and vulgar. They themselves smothered the faith of their sisters. They became faithless instead of being sincere brothers who presented the TV, VCR, satellite channels, internet and digests before their sisters and pushed them into the co-educational institutions.

Beware, those who stand on the way, blow whistles and use the sacred words of love and kindness for impious and nefarious aims, cannot be called Muslim brothers. It was these brothers who outraged the modesty of the Muslim sisters till their pious passions were gradually converted into animal desires. Where could the poor sisters take refuge in this situation? There were lusty licentious eyes, treacherous hands, greedy, dirty faces everywhere. When they approached someone taking him for a saint, their hearts were even more sore to see the sordid situation there. O Allah! How worst the actions under the guise of Deen! انا لله وانا اليه راجعون

In this pathetic situation, the brothers who rose from the field of Jihad appeared before their sisters as the last ray of hope and Eemaan

(faith), this bewitching and pious chain proceeded with the declaration of the "Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ". Then, again, giving proofs of their modesty and passions of deep faith, women revived their chastity, honour and grandeur of Islam. The Mujahid brothers are thankful to those sisters and hence before presenting to them the Islamic system and Islamic culture, they are offering them this first gift, the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ" (daughters of Aisha ؓ) so that our sisters, in the reflection of this mirror of Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ may better their present and future. Correct and strong faith, passion for Eemaan, control over mundane desires and ready to present every kind of sacrifice for Deen is the motto of the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ". It reminds every sister of her glorious past. It reminds every daughter of the piety of Amma Aisha ؓ.

This small gift is for those sisters who are offering themselves for Fedai (martyrdom) operations, who are offering their jewellery and properties and who are again burning in the alembic of the love for Allah. This is the first leap. If the sisters value this gift, a firm, pure Sharaee (Religious) system will follow it as a second step. Under this step, all the daughters and sisters will be able to initiate an effort for the future of their Eemaan remaining within the limits of Shariah and this struggle will continue till the realization of the real goal. And Insha Allah, Hazrat Aisha's ؓ daughters will at last be able to follow her in her footsteps. Accept this gift please! Pray for your Mujahid brothers and keep in mind, this is the inception of a sacred movement. Hence, modesty and veil should not be discarded at any cost. Remember, you need not use the telephone and talk

with ghayr-mehram (from whom parda (veil) is done). You need not mingle with them in the deception of Deen. Give your heart to Allah, stamp it with staunch faith then seal it and come shoulder to shoulder with us in the natural speed of this movement which appears very slow.

Remember, by violating the injunctions of Shariah, we can neither please Allah nor run a sacred movement. He who brings you in the open company out of the house, cannot be your brother. Nevertheless, if the incursion of the infidels (kuffar) and uncongeniality of the situation make you follow your brothers to the battlefield, it will be absolutely fair rather inevitable.

The duties of both the brothers and sisters are totally different in their nature. So submit yourselves to Islam and Shariah for Allah's sake. Keep it in mind that even the great deeds done after one's desire are abject and mean to Allah and little deeds done against one's will but according to Allah's injunctions are very noble and honourable to Allah. The monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ" is the outset of the movement of the Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ. Beef this inception up so much remaining within the limits of Shariah that the movement may take its start soon and the griefstricken eyes of the Muslims may soon be able to watch the scenario of Eemaan and bliss.

Another Task to Perform

I have the honour to read letters written to me by a number of sisters. Many of them insist on carrying out Fedai (martyrdom) operations. Some curiously ask if martyrdom is ordained only to men. A few ask for

duties to perform so that they may be attached to the holy task of Jihad. Many of them have demanded of starting practical training for Jihad. While some of the ladies have expressed the desire to lend a helping hand in the maintenance of the members of the families of the Martyrs. Some ladies want to offer their services in speech and writing. These issues and offerings are for collective services while according to the letters received, many of the ladies have started performing important tasks concerning "Jaish".

A Muslim sister who lives in Britain has started looking after the dependants of the Martyrs. A sister in Attock has started the work in connection with Jihad and training of children. Many of the ladies have started to collect contributions (Amwal) for the Mujahideen. Some of the ladies have started making efforts in educating family members. On the other hand, many of the ladies are very enthusiastically running the campaign to free their families of the vices of unveiling, TV, VCR, satellite channels and many other evils. Some ladies are working for the circulation of the Magazine "Jaish" and are also distributing recorded cassettes of speeches. Many of the ladies, with licenced ammunition, have recieved rifle training from their brothers and husbands. The passion was worth seeing on the eve of "Eid-ul-Azha". Many of the ladies in Karachi kept a strict watch over the skins of slaughtered animals until the Majahideen of Jaish reached to collect those skins. Besides all these, some ladies have also served the Jaish with the help of good writings and useful suggestions. A few parts of this written asset have been published in the fortnightly "Jaish".

Now, as the magazine "Banaat-e-Aisha" for our sisters has been published, it is hoped that the writing power of my sisters will be embellished even more. Keeping in view the sincere co-operation and pious lofty passions of our Muslim sisters two appeals are to be made. "First, consider yourselves the regular members of the movement "Banaat-e-Aisha". Second give us useful suggestions in connection with its organization and membership, but be sure that the letter is written neatly and precisely". In the same way, we are also thinking and consulting the need of Jihad training for women on a very limited and safe scale. As many of the demands of Shariah are to be kept in view in this regard, therefore whatever the decision is to be made, will be made in keeping with the injunctions of Shariah. Be always prepared to accept any decision made by the Markaz (Head Quaters) instead of making your own specific mind. The other individual tasks mentioned above should please be continued. One duty should be added i.e. circulation, advertisement and service of the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha".

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THREE SONS OF ISLAM

The second edition of the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha" was under the process of preparation; all the staff were busy in its completion that sudden news caused the tears to trickle from the eyes. Three intrepid, venturesome, pious and courageous commanders of "Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ " were martyred at the hands of the polytheists near the demolished Babri Masjid. Brother Huzaifa from Khairpur (Sind), Abu Talha from Mehrabpur and Faizaan Pamla from Lahore have won the dignified goal which every Muslim yearns for. How high-ranked Muslims were these three Mujahideen? What were their targets in India? What are their past

achievements? You may learn all this in the next edition. The burden of grief may perhaps lighten till then and I may pluck up courage and energy to write about these three princes of Islam.

Commander Huzaifa was one of my sincere most companions and well-wishers. His mother, his wife and two innocent children may certainly be missing him like us. All of them are lucky enough to have relationship with an enviable man like commander Huzaifa. Brother Abdul Aziz Brohi alias Commander Huzaifa is now among the martyrs. We are looking upon him and his glorious deeds with enviable eyes. Enough space on the pages of the monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha" is available for those sisters and mothers who want to send congratulatory messages to the members of family of this great hero.

Commander Abu Talha who lived in Mehrabpur (Sind) was a beautiful, good-natured, dignified and muscular youngman. He held a special rank among the instructors at the Training Camp. Although only one year back he married, but the battlefield of Jihad always remained dear to him. He had been yearning for martyrdom even during the days of his merriments of marriage. He was a living example of Eemaan (faith), sincerity and piety. His parents, wife and a number of disciples like us are missing him greatly whereas he himself is in the heights of martyrdom.

Brother Faizaan Paamla was a tall, dignified, stout, contented, and adventurous Mujahid. After my release and till his departure to India, he remained my companion through thick and thin. During all this period, he would sacrifice his sleep, respite and comfort and remained the chief my

personal guards. It was the height of his love and loyalty with me that he, like a furious lion, would pounce upon anyone who opposed me. I had to advise him time and again. I enjoyed great comfort and peace due to him, but I did not know that he would precede me to such an extent. Witnessing his martyrdom away from the country, I feel that I should have been his guard rather than he. Whose chivalrous absence is felt by his father, mother, brothers and sisters like us whereas he himself has gone to eternal sleep and by the grace of Allah, he himself will now be enjoying the taste of Allah's hospitality.

The caravan of "Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ ", after the demise of these spirited fellows, is shedding tears of grief and is visited by a sense of loss and loneliness. All of these three comrades were a real asset of the organization. They held such an esteemed place of loyalty and sincerity that they could be entrusted with any duty of Islam.

O Allah! These brothers of ours have been martyred in the prime of their youth. O Allah! Acknowledge their martyrdom and fill the wide gap left by them and provide us succour to accomplish their mission. O Allah! Our hearts are sore and eyes are shedding tears. O Allah! You are witnessing every thing. We are resigned to fate. Patronize us in this hour of trial, lighten our sorrow and soothe our hearts with the vengeance of our martyred brothers and completion of their mission.

O the daughters of Amma Aisha ! O the sisters of the Muslim Ummah! These three brothers of yours have been successful and glorious and have met their Lord. Huzaifa (Abdul Aziz Brohi) used to sob and cry

for the sake of an imprisoned sister in India. He was the portfolio of modesty and valour. Same was the case with Abu Talha and Paamla. Such brothers are not born daily. Humanity has to wait for centuries. O my sisters! Raise your hands and pray, "May Allah acknowledge their martyrdom! May Allah provide succour and sustenance to the members of their families! May Allah bless the Muslim Ummah with their better substitute! May Allah provide solace to our injured souls after affecting their vengeance and effecting completion of their mission by us! Ameen.

Blessings and Thanks!

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful.

The first edition of monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha" won great popularity, beyond our expectations by the grace of Allah the Almighty. No doubt, we demand according to our limited range of thinking while our Great Lord grants us according to His greatness. May Allah bless us with the powers to offer gratitude and appreciation at it and we may be able to render our due for His blessings and try to avoid any kind of disobedience.

It was our earnest desire to publish a truly pious and chaste magazine for our sisters. A magazine which may claim the betterment of discourse and purity of action, the magazine which may truly reflect the Muslim sister, the magazine which may invite the Muslim sister to bow only before one Lord and give her the message of defending herself from every kind of humiliation, the magazine which may take her to visit Medina Munawara so that Amma Aisha's chastity and character and her royal mud

house may be ever present in her eyes; the magazine which may make the blisters at Hazrat Fatima's hands and her high position visible to her, which may tell her the tales of Hazrat Zubair being nourished in the lap of Hazrat Safia and that of Ibn-e-Zubair in the lap of Hazrat Asma. O yes, it is the magazine which might instil Eemaan (faith) in our sister's heart and the light of modesty in her eyes; the magazine which may bring her out of the narrowness and filth of this world and remind her of the dimensions and enjoyments of the hereafter, which may put an end to her cowardice and teach her the lesson of courage and valour. O yes! It is the magazine which may make our saintly sister discard detective and suspense novels and other obscene digests by whose reading, the hearts rot and thoughts are distracted. The magazine which may sprinkle the fragrance of Jihad in the four walls of the house, the magazine which may remind the ladies of the lofty heights of where Surah Nisa was revealed in their honour and the faith (Eemaan) of two women was presented as a model for the people of the whole world. Hazrat Aasia's Eemaan under the tyranny and oppression of Pharaoh is sparkling in the Verses of the Holy Quran and is telling the passionate voice of "ربّ ابن لی عندك بیتاً فی الجنته" (O my Lord! Grant me a house in heaven.) to those who sell their Eemaan for the sake of mortal mundane benefits. Yes! This call is alive even today. Alas! The Muslims of today get their daughters married to Pharaohs of the time for the sake of sky-scrappers. The Pharaohs who earn by foul means and practise tyranny, annihilate the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, who give up prayers and grow worse than the pigs.

In these sorrowful circumstances, a few sisters and daughters pray like Hazrat Aisha[ra]. This magazine is the voice of those sisters and is also a salute from the Mujahideen to their bravery. Hazrat Mariam's Eemaan, courage and virtue in the midst of the distracted society and tyrannical rites of the Jews is also the message of the Holy Quran. Would that the Muslim woman who is fond of unveiling herself before men, learn a lesson from Hazrat Mariam's Eemaan and the ladies who are fond of useless and futile gossip on the telephone with men, may ponder over Hazrat Mariam's voice as "اِنّی نذرت للرّحمن صوماً". Only then the meaning and an unlimited utility of the veil will be revealed to her. Not only to speak of unveiling herself, she will even develop disgust to let her voice be heard by any ghayr-mahram (those from whom veil is compulsory). No doubt, the woman who enjoys communion with Allah in the darkness of the night, will neither have any need and leisure to see others, nor let others see her and listen to them rather she will be greatly perplexed when she is to leave the house under any obligation. She avoids talking with ghayr (unknown people) even in the hour of need. Only then, the hidden feminine qualities of woman will come to the view with whose mention the Holy Quran, Hadith and the books of History are replete. This magazine based on knowledge and Jihad, action and character, vision and lesson, wisdom and advice, facts and incidents and grand message was published for the first time last month. The mothers and sisters accepted it with so great love and enthusiasm that we had to publish it again to meet its demand within the country. Every time, the stock became Nil while there was still a pressing

demand. If this situation continues, it is hoped that monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha[ra]" will soon beat the fortnightly "Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ ". Our chaste mothers, sisters and daughters are worthy of praise, countless blessings and heartiest gratitude at the appreciation of this gift.

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ATROCITIES TO WOMEN AND DUTIES OF BANAAT-E-AISHA ؓ

Who is the most oppressed of all in the present day world? Whose name and identity has been snatched away? Who is being victimised most of all? Who is being trapped most of all and now has been made a trap? Whose piteous cries and sighs are renting the skies? Who is sometimes forced to smile and giggle; sometimes to weep and groan, sometimes to sing and dance, sometimes to be scandalized and sometimes to repent? Who was a blessing till yesterday and has been termed as a necessary evil now-a-days? Who was elegant and graceful till yesterday and is now regarded as the greatest affliction? Who is being raped and robbed at every

step? Who is being played and forced to play? Who is being crushed and made to crush? Who is being used to perform hair-raising and blood-curdling sinful action? Who is being decorated and ornamented for the disobedience of Allah? Who is being sold and bought and is being made the object of ridicule at every step? Who is wronged, constrained and oppressed everywhere? All of these questions have only one answer, that is "WOMAN", yes, Allah made woman a source of grace, blessing, tranquility and peace but she is the most oppressed of all now-a-days. Those who have eyes, should watch with open eyes, those who have ears, should listen attentively, those who have hearts, should observe with open heart that the tyranny inflicted on woman is clearly visible everywhere. Yes! These cruelties are heart-rending and hear-piercing. In fact, thousands of women have not remained women at all. They have become toys for the entertainment of the tyrants. They are a mere object and a warning for the perverted souls.

Europe has been the enemy of the woman for thousands of years. Firstly, Europe considered her a beast and then snatched away all her rights and called her a filthy being. This cruelty continued for centuries. Then Europeans made woman a vulgar thing and now she has lost everything after undergoing ever new afflictions. They snatched away from her the house where she ruled, the husband who was loyal to her, the father who loved her dearly, the brother who safeguarded her, the son who called her O! Mother, the daughter who was her helper, the street which was her castle, the relations who were her protectors, the veil which was her grace,

the self-sufficiency and modesty which was her embellishment, the contentment which was her kingdom, the endurance which was her weapon, the gravity which was her dignity, the resolution which was her cavalcade, the courage which was her conveyance and determination which was her highway. Alas! So great a loss! Now, nothing more than the lusty licentious eyes and business like offerings has remained for her. The cruelties of the Europeans have left woman good for nothing. The real mentality of the white huntsman who always talks emphatically of the women's rights and their emancipation is manifest from his maltreatment with woman in the wars. From Japan to Bahrain and America to Europe, these white infidels made woman the target of their lustful desires in their wars and battles and subjected millions of women to sexual drudgery like animals for their soldiers. These nations who are ignorant of the sanctity of the mother and sister and in whom nothing of humanity is found, firstly maddened woman, dragged her out of her house and then humiliated her as much as possible and afterwards used that woman as a bait to entice other women.

Now, woman is no more than an object to pastime with. Not to speak of great things, even wash or bath soap cannot be sold without her picture on it. They made this blessing of Allah so great a trouble that now they themselves are repenting. Their civilization, as a penance for oppressing women, is rapidly proceeding to suicide. A baffling and terrific glimpse of such tyrannies of the white man can be seen in Africa where woman is suffering from these painful oppressions. One shudders to think

of these cruelties. Every calamity from AIDS to duress, labour to open humiliation is imposed upon her and the poor woman is about to be smashed groaning under the burden of these calamities.

The Africans accepted the servitude of Europe. The woman there accepted this calamity as progress. And the situation has now grown so heinous that the Africans are compelled to lead a life worse than animals. The history of the cruelties inflicted on women by the Infidels is very painful and never ending. It is even more sorrowful that now Muslim women themselves have started lending a helping hand to these infidels. It is just like a hunter who ensnares a few birds, enslaves them and modifies even their natural instincts and at last, a time comes when that preyed bird forgets its nation, becomes an agent of that hunter and lends a helping hand to the huntsman in entrapping the other members of its lot. In the same way, our women who have fallen a prey to the mechinations of the infidels, have lost their feminine dignity and natural status, have become the agents of the hunters and have taken on the duty of causing humiliation to other women. These trouble-stricken rather accursed human-monkeys, false-smiled, artificially-giggled, painted-faced, half-naked and restless women can be seen everywhere in the school or college, market or street delivering emphatic lectures against narrow-mindedness, conservatism, Maulviat (Muslim divinity) and Deen (Islam). She starts discussion with the Maulvie (Muslim scholar), then she turns to narrow-mindedness, then emphasises on the demands of the 21st century and at last she will talk ambitiously of Europe and America's stepping on the moon. Afterwards,

she discusses the oppressions of the Taliban and then resumes the talk of the pleasant future or self-dependence and the deception of not accepting the servitude of men. And, if the situation is favourable, there is an open call to immodesty and a betrayal to the way of restlessness and anarchy.

These foul-smelling women who are leading a beastly life after losing the splendour of their Deen, are now breaking in other's houses. Newspapers, magazines, journals, T.V., films, VCR., satellite channels and internet are at their beck and call. The Christian Missionary Institutions and powerful NGO's are at their back. Being licentious, they are free of every kind of limitation including modesty and in this way; their obnoxious ideas are spreading everywhere. These women, after misguiding many of our Bangladeshi Muslim sisters, have snatched away their chastity as well as wealth of Eemaan (faith). Ah! The serpent of immodesty and Christianity has stung a number of Bangladeshi women and has rendered thousands of them homeless and ignominious. This raging and unruly flood of the NGO's is now flowing to Pakistan. Social work, rights for women, research on Deen, the institutions like safety houses, the so-called political leaders produced by the Jewish organization "Free-Masons" and their semi-religious or political parties are the hunting places on whose altar the faith and characters of the daughters of Amma Aisha[ ] are being slaughtered. These NGO's are poisoning the surroundings so much so that in the delusion of "bright future", many women are forsaking Islam, escaping from their houses, learning filthy arts and now see the veil and four walls of the house a calamity. There is always an unruly crowd of women at every

centre of sinful action and every shop of betrayal. The infidels have innoculated woman with such an injection of utilitarianism, greed and cowardice that now she is committing every kind of sinful action for the sake of utilities. She is found ever ready whether she has to prostrate before the graves or temples, to kiss the feet of an immodest and immoral person called peer (saint), to work with any ghayr-mahram or become the victim of lusty licentious eyes. She regards everyone who takes her out of her home as her well-wisher and she regards anyone who gives her the Quranic advice to stay at her house as her enemy. It is only women who fill up the cash-boxes at the shrines or the pockets of these fakes.

In these afflictive circumstances, a number of duties have been imposed on the daughters of Amma Aisha[ ]. O my trustworthy, honorable and chaste sisters! Get ready for hard work for the sake of protecting Islam and the oppressed women. Give up altogether idleness, negligence and cowardliness. You have a number of dresses sewed. Now, please stop it for the sake of Islam. Only four or six dresses are sufficient for you. What have you got after losing yourselves in the lustre of Jewellery. Stop this business now. The lifeless gold and silver are not the object of your life. You have wept much for a house of your own while the real chain of blessings for the pious woman starts after going to the grave. Only one room is sufficient for you. If you please your Allah sitting here, it will be sufficient for you than the high castles where Allah's wrath is effected. You have fought a number of battles as mother-in-law and daughter-in-law, husband's sister and brother's wife. Tell me plainly what have you got

except filth in the heart? Renunciate these battles for the sake of Allah so that Allah may grant you the power to fight with your enemies. You have had a bitter taste of the envy with your co-wives and at the same time you have had the enjoyment of ruling solely over your husbands. What benefit did it give to you for the world hereafter? What honor did it confer on Islam in this world? Nothing, but this jealousy made you weak, indigent and helpless.

Believe in one Allah and please leave all this. You apply a number of items of make up, use every dirty lotion, condensed distemper and precious powder but what do you get from them? Can you follow in the footsteps of Amma Khadija", Amma Aisha" and Amma Fatima". Never! Never! But these things have harmed your grace and have made you an artificial piece. You come out of your houses without any liability. What do you get? Nothing at all! There is only greif and anxiety out of the house. Alas! if you had reformed and bettered the environment in the house, the light of your character would have spread over heaven and earth. O daughters of Amma Aisha"! It is high time for work and all work needs preparation as training is essential for Jihad, start your education and training on this very day. Rectify your faith. There is no one but Allah who removes difficulties or satisfies the needs. Learn to beg of Him only and be devoted to Him. The love for the Holy Prophet ﷺ is a part of our faith, let it percolate into your bones.

Procure bashfulness in your eyes following the ways of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Strengthen your belief like a mountain. Relinquishing one's

belief in a small difficulty and submission before adverse circumstances is beyond the dignity of a Muslim woman. Examine your deeds after strengthening belief and reform them well. Inculcate in yourselves the readiness for the obligations, firm determination to avoid the forbidden, observance of Sunnah and Nawafil, inclination to charity and alms, the resolution to avoid extravagance, greed and vexation for Deen. There should be only one intention doing all the pious deeds and that is the intention to please the real Lord. And remember, the intention to acquire fame, wealth and high posts is reprobated and impious. Firstly, all of you should become true daughters of Amma Aisha" i.e. you should develop unflinching faith of the Holy Prophet's ﷺ wife Amma Aisha" who always preferred the love for Allah. After Allah the Almighty, her love and fidelity were for the Holy Prophet ﷺ. She was afraid of Allah only and the fear of Allah had removed from her heart the fear of His creatures. She observed not only the obligations but also the Nawafil at night and suprerogatory fasts. She was so bashful that when Ameer-ul-Mumineen Hazrat Umar was buried in the mausoleum of the Holy Prophet ﷺ she stopped visiting her husband's and father's graves. Piles of wealth and riches were under her feet but she did not like to keep them with her even for a night. She would deal out gold and silver among the poor but she herself lived only on dry bread and oil. She had a good taste for knowledge which always kept her busy and saved her from the love of the world. She was holy and pious, the Holy Quran itself describes her piety. She was the addressee of the Holy Quran and she acted upon its teachings heart and soul. When the Holy

Quran ordered her to remain within the four walls of the house, she forgot even the gate of the house. Afterwards, when she had to come out in connection with Jihad, she was in the forefront in the battlefield. She submitted herself to Allah's will. She never preferred any of her wishes to the injunctions of the Holy Quran because her heart, eyes, tongue, intentions and deeds were pious. The lady who has firmness of belief, greatness of aims and unfailing piety, is the daughter of Hazrat Aisha[ra]. These are the only terms for participation in Banaat-e-Aisha[ra]. It is not difficult to fulfil them rather it is an august deed.

O my sisters! This is the only right path for you. The people who are inviting you to this path are not desirous of any powers, political superiority or leadership rather they are inviting you to become the members of "Banaat-e-Aisha[ra]". These are the Mujahideen who desire not this world but martyrdom, who do not like the politics in vogue but Caliphate, who do not want to see you retrogress but at the heights of progress and who do not require of you any worldly concern but there is modesty in their eyes and bashfulness in their hearts and they are guiding you to the heights at which Sura Nisa was revealed. These brothers in the battlefield need only the blessings and succour of their pious and modest sisters.

Examine yourself with open eyes this very day whether you are the daughters of Hazrat Aisha[ra] or not. Check the piety in your hearts, the firmness in your belief and justness of your deeds, the grandeour of your intentions and the resoluteness of your aims. If you are the daughters of

Hazrat Aisha[ra], be thankful to Allah and be prepared for a great labour and struggle. If, Allah forbid, you are still not the daughter of Hazrat Aisha[ra], do not delay, death is imminent and no one is an exception to it. Perform ablution, say prayers of repentance, extend your hands, shed tears recalling Allah's blessings and your sins and pray anxiously like a drowning person, "O Allah, my sins may be great but not greater than your mercy. O Allah! I want to be your slave only. I am much disgraced after deserting Your path. O Lord! Who causes success only with a kind look, have a merciful look at me and also make me the daughter of Hazrat Aisha[ra]. Ameen!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO BANAAT-E-AISHA[ra]

Labour is bearing fruit

The Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ had to undergo a number of tests and trials one after the other a few days ago. The terrorists martyred one of our sincere, scholarly, brave, pious and practical-minded fellow with his innoncent Hafiz-e-Quran son (Anas) in Karachi. Hazrat Maulana Abdul Majeed Patel met martyrdom reciting the word Allah! Allah! leaving behind him his pious wife, three good-natured daughters and thousands of other bereaverd people. He would earnestly pray for martyrdom. He was a practical man. Islamic and Jihadi atmosphere prevailed over his house. His

daughters and sons used to send their pocket money to the Mujahideen. He had Jihadi Ahadeeth (traditions of the Prophet ﷺ) inscribed on the walls of the mosque so that, anyone who passed by the mosque might read them and understand the shortest way to Paradise i.e. "Jihad Fee Sabeel-Allah". This is such a short way that Paradise itself advances to welcome the man as soon as he steps on this path. Maulana was blessed with good luck and martyrdom and his blood also bore out his deep religious faith, whereas in this age of waywardness, most of the people shed their blood in sinful actions and their energies are spent on pleasing the people but inviting Allah's wrath. Thus the soldier of Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ and sincere brother of Banaat-e-Aisha[ra] of this era bereaved us forever.

We were still under this shock that a bomb was placed at our publishers offices in Karachi. The cowardly and abnoxious enemy filled gunpowder in the leaves of the Holy Quran and it exploded on the books and cassettes which unite and urge the Muslims for Jihad and remind them of this forgotten lesson. Thank Allah, the Mujahideen who worked there had gone out a few minutes before otherwise they would also have lost their lives in this explosion.

These publishings are tormenting the enemies greatly. Previously, one of its offices was also bombed. The enemy has perhaps developed the misgiving that he will be able to frighten and cow-down the Mujahideen with the help of such cowardly and ugly misdeeds and will succeed in bringing this proclamation of Islam to an end. He is shocked because the book named "Fadaail-e-Jihad" which shatters away the guiles and deceits of

Mirza Qadiani into pieces, is supplied from this publisher and consequently, the Muslim of today has again started understanding the true spirit of Jihad. The teaching of this book has been started in the mosques and academies and the universal message of Jihad is spreading not only in Pakistan but also in the other countries. The book "Fourty Diseases of the Jews" shows the pious path of Islam to the Muslims. The books on Jihad which have put the Jihadi message of the Holy Quran before the Muslim Ummah in simple words, are supplied from here. The result is that not only men but also women are anxious to show their valour in the field of Jihad. These ladies are offering their sons and Jewellery for the grandeur of Islam and protection of the Muslims. Moreover, millions of cassettes recorded with speeches on Jihad which are guiding the Muslims to the way of honour and greatness have been spread all over the world. These recorded speeches are also protecting them from the diseases of irreligiousness, negligence and cowardice. The enemy has not been able to stop this message of Jihad despite his best efforts because this message is the call not only of an individual but the scent of the blood of martyrs which can neither be suppressed nor wiped out. This is the message of the Holy Quran whose protection Allah has taken on Himself. Consequently, the enemy has become petulant and is attacking the books and cassettes, but he does not know that this proclamation does not beggar books and cassettes. Rather in my opinion, those books and cassettes are blessed enough to have the honour of bearing the message of Jihad. This call is the voice of emotions and a bawl descended from the skies. Bomb explosions cannot stop this

invitation rather due to such tactics; this call will gain even more strength, elegance and grandeur. It is pathetic that this brutal attack was made through the leaves of the Holy Quran. Hence, the heart is sore and stricken.

Would that the Muslims had acted upon the teachings of the Holy Quran! Would that they had moulded themselves according to it! Would that they had answered the Quranic call for Jihad! If the Muslims had done so, no tyrant could dare fill gunpowder in the Holy Quran. Now the Muslims have become mundane beings, fashion lovers and cowards after forgetting the teachings of the Holy Quran, so the tyrants dared play such insolent devilish tricks with the Holy Quran.

There was a time when the Muslim mothers would wrap their young ones in the Quranic light and the teachings of the Surah Anfaal(سورہ انفال) and Surah Baraat(سورہ براۃ) would infuse thundering power and rapidity in their arms. Hence, no one dared look at the Holy Quran with nasty eyes. But when the mothers discarded reading and comprehending the Holy Quran rather they began to feel pride in becoming Air Hostesses' and began to enjoy being unveiled, there were born to them cowards who could not confront the Infidels. These ofspring were powerless, helpless, anti-religious and cowards who sold their Deen for a few coins.

Maulana Abdul Majeed Patel was martyred a few days ago. The Publishing house of Jaish fell prey to a bomb explosion. The efforts to involve the young men of the Jaish into the alembic of terrorism and sectarianism were ignited. The sensual and selfish enemies of Jihad, with the help of their paid agents, were activated. Under these circumstances,

cares and worries piled upon me and a few of them began to haunt and frighten me like an anaconda in the form of such questions: Will the pious army of the Jaish come to an end? Will the blessings and liquid prayers of thousands of mothers and sisters go a waste? Will the mission of the martyrs remain incomplete? Will this class who earnestly invites the Muslims to the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ fall a prey to conspiracies and intrigues? Will this brave army who has become a nightmare for the enemies, be defeated at the hands of the hypocrites? Will this model of modesty and protagonist of tempting light which introduced the sacred word of Banaat-e-Aisha[R] in this age of immodesty, become dim? Will this adventurous and iron handed group who protected mothers and rescued oppressed prisoners, be entangled in national problems and be ruined? All these questions and doubts were pricking and stinging me and my eyes rose to the sky and the hands were lifted up for prayers.

This is the troop that offered the blood of 150 youngmen for the Kashmir movement and forty intrepid martyrs for the Afghan movement all within a short period of one year; the group with whose footsteps, the oppressed Muslim mothers and sisters were encouraged; the class which gave lovely religious gifts like fortnightly Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ to the brothers and the monthly Banaat-e-Aisha[R] to the sisters. The platoon whose "Fedai" (men yearning for martyrdom) gave a new colouring and freshness to the Jihad and a class under whose flag Allah gave thousands of men and women the opportunity to visit Madina. Will such a group be emaciated after confronting calamities one after the other? O Allah! Protect this

precious gift of the Muslim Ummah.

I was at war with these doubts and fears and praying to Allah, when the time for Asr (early evening prayers) approached. After the prayers, general visiting started. The visitors were very few so when the gathering was about to break up, suddenly I caught sight of a brightly lit face with a white bright beard, light complexion, bright charming eyes and artless pure innocence on his old wrinkled face. He was looking at me with love. I said, "How do you come here? Have you any business?" Hearing this, he stood up and I came to know that he was disabled. One of his hands was bandaged and the other had a crutch in it. I supported him and asked him the purpose of his visit. He replied saying, "No purpose; only visiting and meeting. I had come to Multan. I thought that I should meet you in Bahawalpur." I thanked Allah. During the short course of discourse, it was revealed that this white-bearded bent backed, wrinkled-faced old man was very lucky and blessed as two of his sons had tasted martyrdom. He himself had remained a disciple of Shaikh-ul-Islam Hazrat Madni at Darul-Uloom Deoband. When I was looking at him with enviable eyes, he said, "May Allah bless you! You have done a great honour by issuing allowances to the families of the martyrs. I have been receiving the allowance for two months and in this way, we are living happily and comfortably". I said, "You are lucky and also those people whose fortunes have been accepted by Allah for the chosen people like you. We are only mediators but still abashed that we have not been able to perform our duty fully." When I asked about the bandage on his hand, he said that it was an injury. I said,

"We shall send you to Karachi if you like where you will get better treatment". Hearing this, his eyes brightened with pleasure and said, "Is it possible?" I said, "The companions of your martyred sons consider it a great favour and honour to serve persons like you. When you come to Bahawalpur, a Mujahid will accompany you to Karachi where the Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ has made arrangements for treatment of the injured and the sick. Many a lucky doctor is attached to the Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ, they cure the patients free of cost. In Particular, special care is taken in treating those who were injured in Jihad. Mulana Abdullah Shah Mazhar who is our administrator in Sind, is working specially in this respect.

That venerable old man, praying for us, went away with the promise to come again and I was surrounded by doubts and fears. Allah knows how many auspicious persons are feeling comfort due to the Jaish and how many desolate houses have been rehabilitated. We do not know how many pious people are beseechingly praying among a chain of tears for the Jaish. My heart echoed, "O the traders of darkness! Make as many efforts as you can but you cannot put out the candle which is cooling and refreshing the hearts of thousands of the heirs of martyrs. Beware, a pious group of the holy people has entered this field. Its circle of work will go on widening by the grace of Allah. It will keep blessing the people who offer sacrifice in it with different kinds of affluences."

Whether it be the name of the "Jaish" or "Banaat-e-Aisha", now the series of credence has taken its inception and the Muslims have started understanding the motives of their lives. The people, who were dying for

livelihood and sexual satisfaction a short while ago, are now filled with love for Allah and the yearning for martyrdom. O the Daughters of Mother Aisha! Congratulations to you! The effects of your labour are becoming manifest. The jewellery offered by you has not gone to waste, but you are receiving the good wishes and blessings of the reverend persons whose sons have been accepted by Allah and martyred. O my sisters! It is due to your labour that 150 families of the martyrs are now receiving monthly allowances. Dozens of the injured are under treatment today. Stop for a while and ponder, "How great a blessing martyrdom is!" This is the blessing for which the Holy Prophet ﷺ prayed time and again. O my sisters! You are lucky that you have become the patrons of these great people who have been blessed by Allah with martyrdom.

Today, the mundane woman feels pride in becoming an air hostess and the centre of lecherous eyes. You have become the butlers and patrons of the families of the martyrs. Allah-o-Akbar! How great good luck! The woman who was addressed till yesterday as O Mother! O Mother! By the martyrs, is now content only with a few coins donated by you. Will the martyrs forget their parents and those who used to serve their families on the day of Judgement? Never! Never! O great sisters of the Muslim Ummah! Blessings are being showered on you since the time you have adopted the pious character of "Banaat-e-Aisha" and her duty.

Lo! There is a pile of letters lying in front of me which bears witness that positive effects of religious awakening among women are discernible over the whole world. You enjoy this conduct. May Allah bless

you with perseverance!

Now, before me is the letter of a lucky mother of a martyr. In it, the mother is all gratitude apparently to me and actually to those ladies who donated their ornaments to Jihad; who played a vital role in educating members of the family; who blessed the Jaish with their silent corroboration and chosen prayers; who said, "Yes" to the call of the Mujahideen and made themselves Banaat-e-Aisha[R] with regard to faith and action.

Here is a letter, read it please and offer gratitude to Allah for acknowledgement of your labour. Keep it in mind that this letter is written not by an ordinary woman but a martyr's mother. How painfully a mother delivers a baby! How laboriously she looks after him! When he grows up, she does not send him to earn money but sends him to the battlefield to please her Lord. There, the son protects the honour of his mother's upbringing, fights manly and is martyred. After a short period of his martyrdom, monthly allowance begins to reach that mother. She picks up the pen and commits these few words to the paper with her old hands and gives the message to the "Banaat-e-Aisha[R]" that the cooling and soothing effects of their labour are reaching her. Now examine the contents:

Khankah Dogran,

April 6, 2001.

Asslam-o-Alaikum,

We are hale and hearty here and wish for you the same. You will say that a woman is writing a letter. The fact is that the father of the

departed one does not know how to read and write. Hence, I, Zafar Shaheed's mother, am writing. I am thankful to you for remembering us at the hour when we were very hard up. By the grace of Allah, we have received the cheque from you, I am extremely thankful to you. What can I give you except blessings. Thank you very much that you remembered us at the hour when we were hand to mouth and were praying to Allah for sustenance. Many thanks to you from all of us. May Allah bless you! Acknowledge our compliments!

The well-wishers,

Father & Mother,

Shaheed Zafar Iqbal.

O daughters of Aisha[R]! You have read the letter. You will certainly have felt pleasure and solace by providing happiness to the mother of a martyr. Now gear up your labour so that arrangements for the education and training of the children of martyrs and treatment and habitation of their families may be made. Beef up your work so that the Jihad movement for the grandeur of Islam and protection of the Muslims may be activated even more. It will be a great blessing to a woman who wishes to become a true Muslim and works for Deen after removing the love for the world from her heart, discarding fashion and giving up sinful actions. O Allah! Bless everydaughter of the Muslim Ummah with this grace. Ameen

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EXTINGUISH THIS FIRE!

Nearly five years ago, I, with thousands of other convicts, was imprisoned in the Indian prison of Tihar. The majority of the prisoners were the people who had committed the crime of burning their wives to death for bringing less dowry with them. We heard ever new such incidents and were shuddered. We could see this burning fire reaching the bodies of our Muslim daughters also. In those days, the newspapers published a news that a Hindu died and his wife was also burnt with him to ashes. This custom is called "SATI" in Hinduism.

Keeping such incidents in view I wrote an article on the rapid and common prevalence of the evil custom of Dowry among the Muslims. This

piece of writing was a religious call to youngmen. It seems as if it was waiting for the inception of the publication of Banaat-i-Aisha*. Now this writing is extracted from the book "Muskaratay Zakhm" (under compilation) and is being presented for publication with the hope that its message will be acted upon. At that time, I had addressed only the youngmen. Now all the ladies are also its addressees because this polytheistic fire cannot be extinguished without the sincere co-operation of the whole family. Here is the article written behind bars:

"Extinguish This Fire."

In the near past, a man who lived in a village in the Indian Province of Rajisthan, died. His heirs seemed to have pledged an oath to revive the custom of "SATI" but they were afraid of the government and the police. Hence, well-armed guards were appointed around the whole village and all the routes to the village were blocked. Afterwards, the young widow of the deceased was pinioned with ropes along with her dead husband and was thrown into the fire to burn to ashes.

This cruel and brutal rite is regarded as a divine worship in the Hindu religion. The Indians also witnessed similar incidents in the past such as eight wives of a Maharaja (king) were burnt with him. With the passage of time, this rite did not remain in vogue. The prevalence of Islam in India also played a great role in it.

The status which Islam gave to the wife, exercised a good influence on the whole of India. Later on, the governmental laws also became a

hindrance in the performing of this rite. Still the orthodox Hindus are still worried about its constant implementation in every nook and corner of India. Although, the custom of "SATI" cannot be performed openly due to the restrictions of the government, yet the ratio of burning of women for bringing less dowry has greatly increased. Dozens of women are burnt daily. Such culprits in Indian jails are much greater in number than others.

Most of the tenets of Hinduism are prone to crush and dissect mankind which bring about only disgrace and humiliation. The Hindus are very flexible and adaptable people, they mix up every where due to their adaptability. As their religion is based merely on fables and fictions without any solid foundations, they, without any hesitation, accept many of the principles of other religions which are according to their wishes and aspirations. They develop close relationships with other religions and hence transfered many of their own polytheistic ideas and rituals to the unlettered people of those religions. For example, there was no idol worship in Buddism. It was the Hindus which made idol (statue) worshipping very common among them. They entered their religion very humbly and transferred their own wickedness to them.

In the same way, they exercised deep influence on the uneducated group of the Muslims. They introduced some basic misconceptions among them to pacify the fire of their anger. Although they could not make the Muslims prostrate before the idols, yet they succeeded in prostrating them before the graves. While in Islam there is a very strict prohibition of fairs on the graves and shrines. If you go to the Holy Cities of Makka and

Madina and see the graves of the companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ; many of those were dug during the life time of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Then visit any tomb in India or Pakistan, you will find a big difference between them. In Delhi, I happened to see a temple and a tomb which were standing opposite to each other. The only difference between them was that one had idols in it and the other had a magnificent mausoleum. There were hanging yellow and blue pieces of cloth. Outside there were flower shops and inscense sticks. There were mugs and retorts of chroot and hemp on the doors. There were Majawars and ascetics with unkempt beards and moustaches; carrying big rosaries, oblations, gifts and boxes meant for them. Observing such a sight, the heart is sore and we have to say sorrowfully how horrible revenge the Hindus have taken from our simple people. Islam made thousands of idol-worshippers bow before Allah. As a revenge, the idol-worshippers persuaded thousands of the Muslims to bow before graves. (انا لله وانا اليه راجعون)

There is nothing of this sort in Islam. Firstly, the Hindus themselves started the practice of prostration at the graves of the Muslims. Then they launched the propaganda of fulfilment of their vows and needs, in this way they lured the Muslims to prostrate before others than Allah. Not to speak of this only, they transferred many of their baseless creeds to the Muslims. All the polytheists whom we have happened to meet, claim, "God is one and He is the Creator of all. There are a few chosen people whose implorations He cannot turn down or put off. We ourselves are great sinners and cannot approach God directly. That's why, we please

these holy people so that they may recommend our cases to God. Idols are nothing but merely a source of concentrating attention." Same is the case with our people who are influenced by polytheistic germs. They also say, "Access to Allah is impossible without saints and seers." The Hindus offer such a misconception even of God as is beyond description. Same are the ideas of our people influenced by them.

Islam has never degraded the beloved ones of Allah. Its only injunction to all people is to beg merely of Allah. Saints only direct and guide us to our Lord. They never levy any tax on us for our guidance to Allah, rather they show us the direct route to have access, but these misconceptions are to be regretted. Would that the Muslims may understand the reality!

When we witnessed the Hindu celebrations of Devali and Holi, we came to know of the reality of the tradition of crackers and scintillating sticks on the eve of "Shab-e-Baraat." In the beginning when we used to notice the scene of fireworks on the eve of Shab-e-Baraat, we would think, "They do not have even the remotest relation with Islam. How did these things gain ground among the Muslims?" As an answer to it we can say that there are two possibilities. Either the Hindus instigated the Muslims on it or the Muslims tried to compete with them and as a result, it became a regular, deep rooted tradition.

The Hindus promulgated not only these few polytheistic traditions among the Muslims but also transferred their two great social evils among a big sect of the Muslims; one is the division into caste system; second is

oppression on women and the curse of dowry.

Caste system and class-distinction has been deep rootedly in vogue among the Hindus to a painful extent. According to their sacred books, the Brahmans were born from god's mouth, the Khatarie's from the arms, the Vaish from the belly and Shudars from the feet. The land was the possession of the Brahmans and the Shudars were their slaves. The Shudars or Dalats were that majority sect among the Hindus who were considered worse than animals. The well from where they drank water was considered impious, and utensils which they used for eating were regarded as filthy. Their entry into the temples was prohibited. They had been deprived of many other human rights.

Keeping this severity of circumstances in view, "BABA AMEEDKAR" the leader of the Dalats, advised all the Dalat Hindus to give up their religion and embrace Islam. This decision struck the Hindu leader Gandhi Jee like a thunder bolt. He knew that the Brahmans were very few in number. If all the Dalats gave up Hinduism, the Brahman's will become a small minority in India. Hence, Gandhi Jee went on hunger strike and persuaded the Hindus of the high rank to grant a few rights to the Dalats. As a result, the Dalats were given the name of "Hari Junn" which means god's offspring. They were also granted some other so-called few rights. In this way, they caused a division among the Dalats. The only target and stress was that the Dalats should not turn into Muslims. At last, "BABA AMEEDKER" changed his decision. He, with ten thousand people, embraced Buddism as a religion whereas other Dalats adopted the name of

"Hari Junn" and in this way, they remained in the Hindu religion where humiliation has become their lot. Mr. Gandhi had to save his religion and he succeeded in it, otherwise who could mould and pacify the Brahmans and the Pandits.

It is sad aspect of the matter that this practice gained ground among the Muslims also and this class-distinction spread in every nook and corner of the Muslim world. Consequently, the Muslims forgot the Quranic pronouncement that tribes and nations are only for identification. "Only that person is honourable among you who is pious and virtuous". It means that only the subjects obedient to Allah are respectable.

The Muslims are, in fact, a great nation which promulgates an Islamic system in the world. If it itself is divided into groups like "the better and the worse, the high and the low," how can it do great deeds. It is sorrowful that these things have gained firm foundations among the Muslims. Sometimes, I think that nationalism, territorianism and patriotism are winning over Islam, but soon I beg pardon of Allah on this devilish thinking. It is certain that Islam can never lose grounds. The people with guided hearts and sane thinking will follow only the laws of Islam not the slogans of the nationalists and territorianist.

In order to shatter the whole fabric of our social life, the Hindus introduced the custom of dowry and oppression to women. Consequently, we were lured by the infidels and neglected the holy ways of Islam. You will say, "How has Islam prohibited us from giving dowry while the Holy Prophet ﷺ himself gave a few items of dowry to his beloved daughter

Hazrat Fatima ؓ", but I am talking of the oppressive dowry which, with its extended hood, is ever stinging our society. This dowry is received on orders and conditions. The names and numbers of dowry items are mentioned. Its cost is estimated. Then it is judged and analysed. It is weighed according to the weight of their own social status. The girl's honour or humiliation is determined according to its lustre. Tell me what is the justification of this cruel tax in Islam? It is a fashion of the wealthy class who make a show of their wealth and status in the name of Dowry. As a result, this portent plunders a number of houses.

In Arabia, the father of the daughter is not worried about any dowry. He is rather satisfied that he is offering his daughter, he needs not offer any other thing. All the arrangements are to be made by the groom. With us, the father offers not only his daughter but also gives money and even begs and beseeches only for a small house for his daughter to live in. It is a pity that men have become so mean that they decorate their houses with the wealth brought by women. If they had a small ray of bashfulness and manhood in them, they would never have desired for women's wealth.

Neither Eemaan (faith) nor modesty exists anywhere. If someone offers dowry with pleasure, it is a different matter. They should also see to it that their practice does not compel the poor to commit suicide. The Holy Prophet ﷺ had great love for his daughter. He could pray to Allah to convert the Uhud mountain into gold and then give it as dowry to his daughter, but He ﷺ was thinking of all the daughters of the Ummah. He gave his daughter only those articles as dowry which even the poorest

parents can also give.

O Muslims! O lovers of Allah and the Holy Prophet ﷺ! Take the initiative and uproot this Hindu cruel tradition to extinguish the burning alembics so that a number of daughters may be saved from being an unbearable burden on the shoulders of their parents and the Muslim daughters may be weighed not in the scales of dowry but in the scales of their doings and character. I know, the girl folk can do nothing in this regard. The boy folk will have to take the initiative to uproot this evil tradition. All the rich and the poor should issue an emphatic pronouncement that they want only the bride not the dowry. The parents of the boy should forbid the parents of the girl to give dowry. If the parents of the bride persist, the parents of the bridegroom should refuse to take it and say, "You can give your daughter throughout the rest of her life. Avoid it please on the wedding day and do not inflame this furnace in which thousands of youths are burning to ashes." If the parents of the boys do not agree, the bridegrooms themselves will have to take this leap. And remember, do not lose the opportunity in your marriage because marriage is generally arranged only once in life.

In the same way, we shall have to launch a campaign for the sake of the widows to uproot the Hindu tradition. Keep it in mind that there is no infamy in marrying a widow or a divorcee woman. Our Holy Prophet ﷺ married only widows and divorced women. If we ponder over it and decide to act upon the injunctions of Islam, we will get real peace and satisfaction when thousands of youths are burning in the fire of polytheistic customs

these days. We have heralded the call to give the start. Let us see who comes forward and takes on the responsibility of purifying the sacred Deen of the Holy Prophet ﷺ from the evil traditions of the nasty infidels and also see who extinguishes this pyre which is more dangerous than the fire of "SATI".

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TEN LESSONS

Hazrat Qasim[R] is the nephew of Hazrat Amma Aisha[R] and is one of the seven respected theologians of Madina. He was second to none in the field of learning, gaining, intelligence and piety. He had availed the company of the companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. He touched so great heights of knowledge and foresight that Hazart Umar Bin Abdul Aziz[R] (may Allah be pleased with him) had to say about him, "If it had been in my powers, I would have made Qasim Bin Muhammad the Caliph of the Muslims."

He got the major proportion of his education staying in the Masjid-e-Nabvi ﷺ. He narrated Ahadith with reference to the following

grand companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ :-

Hazrat Abu Huraira[R], Hazrat Abdullah Bin Umar[R], Hazrat Abdullah Bin Abbas[R], Hazrat Abdullah Bin Zubair[R], Hazrat Abdulalh Bin Jafar[R], Hazrat Abdullah Bin Khabab[R], Hazrat Raafe Bin Khadij[R], and Hazrat Aslam[R].

After getting education, he started teaching at the Masjid-e-Nabvi Shareef. He satiated the thirst of the pursuers of knowledge in such a way sitting in the Riaz-ul-Jannah, that he was acknowledgd the literary Imaam (Leader) of the Muslims. He had a great resemblance to his grandfather Hazrat Siddique-e-Akbar[R] and he had developed in himself the same kind of habits, so much so that people began to say, "This youngman resembles Hazrat Siddique-e-Akbar[R] more than his own childern." In the last year of his life, when he went out to perform the holy pilgrimage and he felt that the time of his death had approached, he gave the following pieces of advice to his son:

"When I die, shroud me please in the clothes with which I used to say prayers i.e. a shirt, a tehband (a large piece of cloth) and a shawl. This same was the burial dress of your great grandfather. When you bury me in the grave, you should return to your home; do not stay at my grave to say, 'He was a man of letters. He was a man of parts. No doubt, I am nothing."

How did this Imaam of learning and piety achieve this high status? That pious lap in which he was brought up had greatly influenced it. Yes, the famous theologian and Imaam like Hazrat Qasim, was brought up by his Aunt Hazrat Aisha[R]. How did she rear this orphan child? Its enviable and best glimpse is presented in the words of Hazrat Qasim himself. He says:

"When my father was killed in Egypt, my uncle Hazrat Abd-ul-Rahman Bin Abi Bakr took me and my younger sister to Madina. No sooner did we reach Madina, our Aunt Hazrat Aisha sent someone to summon us to her and brought us up in her lap. I did not find any mother or father as kind and benevolent as she was."

"She used to feed us with her own hands. She herself did not eat with us but ate only the remnants of our meals. She would take so great care of us as the suckling mothers take care of the weaning baby. She would wash us and comb our hair. She would dress us in neat and clean white clothes. She would always exhort us to the good deeds and make us practise goodness."

"She used to persuade us to give up evils. It was her routine that she made us learn the Holy Quran by heart according to our capacity and made us grasp the Ahadeeth (traditions) of the Holy Prophet ﷺ according to our grasping power."

"She was even more kind to us on the eve of Eid and gave us more things to eat. On the Arfa night, she would shave my head and wash me and my sister. On the Eid morning, she would dress us in new clothes and send us to the mosque to offer Eid prayers."

"When we returned after offering prayers, she would collect us and offer sacrifice of the animal in our presence."

"One day, she made us wear new clothes. Then she placed me on one knee and my sister on the other and sent for her brother Hazrat Abd-ul-Rahman[ra]. When he came, she paid him compliments respectfully.

Then she recited Allah's Hymn. I never heard a man or a woman speaking so eloquently and sweetly. She said:

"O my brother, since when these two children have been with me, I see you remain estranged with me. By Allah, I did not do it to prove my superiority to you, nor do I have any misgiving about you nor do I understand that you will show any negligence with regard to these children. But you have a number of wives. These two children are very small. They cannot do their work themselves. I feared that your wives would find such things in these children that they might develop abomination towards them and they might not educate and train them happily and properly. I saw that I could take better care of these children than your wives.

Now as both of them have grown up, and can do their work themselves, you can take them away if you like." Hazrat Abd-ul-Rehman Bin Abi Bakr[ra] took us to his home."

Hazrat Qasim[rh] says, "When I was at my uncle's house, I could not forget the affections and training at Aunt Aisha's[ra] house. Hence, I used to spend a few days with my Aunt Aisha[ra], the rest few with my uncle."

Although Hazrat Qasim did leave his high ranked Aunt Aisha[ra] yet he could never forget the memories of the affections and training at that house. Once, he narrated this memorable tale to his friends and disciples:

"One day I said to Hazrat Aisha[ra], "O mother! Let me see the Holy Prophet ﷺ and his companions' graves." Hazrat Aisha[ra] removed the veil from the graves. I saw that the graves were neither very high from the ground nor to the level of the surface of the earth. They were made of the

red stones which used to lie scattered in the courtyard of the mosque.

I asked, "Where is the grave of the Holy Prophet ﷺ?" She nodded to it. Saying this, two big tears rolled down her cheeks. She suddenly wiped those tears away so that we might not notice them. Then she showed the grave of my grandfather Hazrat Abu Bakr" and that of Hazrat Umar".

The Banaat-e-Aisha" should read these tales carefully again and again. They will learn many lessons which will bring them through the labyrinths of life. Let us have a look at the results of this incident.

i. Amma Aisha's" Kindness to the Orphans:-

Amma Aisha" always remained busy in learning and worshiping Allah. By bringing these children up, she set a grand example for the Muslim Ummah. Would that there may exist such ladies as may support and bring up the orphans.

ii. Compassion for the Children:-

These days, ladies do not like even to touch the children of others. They abhor and scorn cleaning their waste etc. whereas Islam orders kind treatment with relatives and persuades us to show affections for children. Hazrat Aisha" had been cast in the mould of Islam. That's why she acted upon all the injunctions of Islam happily.

iii. Amma Aisha's" Special Care for the Children:-

Now-a-days, the women have discarded taking interest in looking after the children particularly educated ladies consider it below their status. As a result, small children fall a prey to a sense of deprivation and a number

of diseases. But the truth is that mothers' laziness, negligence and ease-loving have weakened and sickened the children. You see how Hazrat Aisha", the mention of whose high position has descended from the skies and books are replete with the incidents of her worship, is washing, bathing and cleaning both these children, feeding them with her own hands and changing their clothes. Would that every mother might look after her children in thatway!

iv. Amma Aisha's" Imparting Religious Education and Training to Children:

You have read that Amma Aisha" would teach the children goodness and good deeds and she made them practise them regularly. She tried to develop in them hatred against evils and taught them the methods to avoid them. Would that every child might get this good luck that his mother might persuade him to goodness and save him from wickedness, otherwise, the situation is becoming very discouraging and dangerous these days. The mothers themselves are involved in sinful actions and they exercise its bad influence on their children. Some ladies involve their children in the vices of watching TV and listening to songs and in this way, they ruin their future. The innocent child is an exception to accountability and he is not held responsible for these sinful actions. The childs mind and heart are like a blank slate, the impression of any goodness or evil done before him is imprinted on it. Some ladies take their children to the market and gossip with the shopkeepers in their presence. A few ladies always express their ingratitude to Allah, quarrel with other members of the family

and even backbite in the presence of their children.

You have read in the incident where Hazrat Qasim says about Hazrat Aisha[ؓ] that she always persuaded them to goodness and urged them to inculcate aversion against vices and made them learn the Holy Quran and Hadith by heart according to their capacity and grasping power. The Muslim lady of today should follow this good example of Hazrat Aisha[ؓ]. If she does so, she will, by the grace of Allah, be able to feel pride in her children on the day of judgement.

V. Hazrat Aisha's Inculcation of Love Of Worship in Children:-

Shaving children's head on the night of Arfa, washing and bathing them, sending them to offer the Eid prayers and slaughtering animals before them are not necessary for children. These same children are to shoulder the responsibilities of Deen on growing up so the wise people develop in them the awareness of goodness and worship of Allah from the very childhood. We should also pay special attention to it. These days, the taste for cricket, useless games and impudence towards elders is developed among the children. Hence, they remain negligent of their duties and responsibilities throughout their lives. They become cricket fans and keep wasting their time.

In the same way, the children are taught impudence at homes. They are encouraged at their foul and abusive conversation. Their imprudent attitude is exhibited before every visitor with pride and elation. This tendency is very bad. The children become loquacious, liars and idle

talkers, and the germs of self-aggrandisement and self-love are born in them. Hence, it is necessary to tinge the children in the religious colouring from the very beginning. And they may be stressed to recite the Holy verses of the Holy Quran and learn about the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Their childhood should be guarded against every harmful thing because childhood is the foundation. How essential the correctness and firmness of foundation should be, is known to every sane person.

Iv. Hazrat Aisha's[ؓ] Conversation With Her Brother:

How did Amma Aisha[ؓ] converse with her angry brother to propitiate him? This conversation teaches every sister how to converse with her brother. She paid him regards, recited the Hymn of Allah, expressed her good wishes and love for him and then came to the point of conversation.

Vii. Hazrat Aisha's[ؓ] Reconciliation With Her Brother:-

In order to reconcile with her brother, Hazrat Aisha[ؓ] conversed with him very eloquently and sweetly because the relationship between the brother and the sister is very sacred and holy. They share a number of mutual rights and this is settled through experience. If there is unity among the brothers and sisters, there prevails the atmosphere of peace and calm over the house and consequently, no enemy can harm them. Allah forbid! If the brothers and sisters have daggers drawn with one another, and there develops fury, enmity and insensibility in their hearts, the family is ruined. We can conclude from the words of the incident that Hazrat Abd-ul-Rahman[ؓ] was not exasperated but some complaints and misgivings

were lurking in his mind. Amma Aisha[ra] sent for him, talked to him, removed the misgivings and clarified the whole matter to him with a crystal clear concience.

In this way, no one was either disgraced or insulted rather their status was raised to a great extent. If all the brothers and sisters deal with each other in this way, the fire of discord between the brothers and sisters can easily be extinguished. The meaning of a Hadith is that if the inmates of the house show kindness to one another, the whole house goes under the protection of Allah Who provides them subsistence beyond limits.

Viii. Hazrat Aisha's[ra] Reverence For The Holy Prophet ﷺ:-

This incident also shows how greatly Hazrat Aisha[ra] respected the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Normally, long company of married life reduces respect and honour, but respect for the Holy Prophet ﷺ in the heart of Hazrat Aisha[ra] kept increasing with every passing day. Hence it was the reward of this respect that she enjoyed the company of the Holy Prophet ﷺ till the last moment of her life.

The Holy Prophet ﷺ married several times after his marriage with Hazrat Aisha[ra]. Still there was no narrow-mindness or reduction in respect for the Holy Prophet ﷺ, because she knew that he ﷺ was doing all this in compliance with Allah's injunctions. His only motive in marrying was to provide subsistence and support to the widows and religious benefits to mankind at large. Hence, Hazrat Aisha[ra] tolerated her co-wives happily and she kept her respect for the Holy Prophet ﷺ free of any kind of selfishness.

Ix. Hazrat Aisha's[ra] Love For The Holy Prophet ﷺ:

The trickling of tears from her eyes while pointing to the mausoleum, was the expression of her love for the Holy Prophet ﷺ whose effect remained alive for ever. There is a very good lesson for every Muslim wife in it.

x. Hazrat Aisha Siddiqua's[ra] Patience:-

Hazrat Aisha[ra] wiped away her tears at once, while the women of today weep in competition shedding crocodile tears and make a show of their bereavement. Hazrat Aisha[ra] occupied a very high position of fortitude. No one can comprehend the severity of shock she suffered due to the sad parting of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Instead of making a show of her grief to the people, she developed firm relation with Allah. If the Muslim daughters come to understand this, the mourning, wailing and ingratitude may come to an end.

O Allah! Bless the Banaat-e-Aisha[ra] with the powers to act upon the golden example of Amma Aisha's[ra] character. Ameen! O the Lord of the Martyrs and the Mujahideen!

Sacrifice of a Poor Sister:

These days, poverty like leprosy is regarded as an infamy. Hence the poor remain ever busy in complaining and showing ingratitude whereas poverty is not an infamy or ignominy at all. If the poor, in spite of poverty, perform good deeds, pay gratitude to Allah when they see the poorer

people, and spend a few coins in the way of Allah, He fulfils their needs and provides them peace and solace which the rich people cannot buy even if they spend thousands of rupees.

A few hours ago, a poor lady in Karachi, sent all her jewellery for the sake of Jihad. Her husband's monthly income is about Rs. 2500 which is equal to nothing in a city like Karachi. This contented and thankful lady, instead of showing ingratitude, taunting her husband with low income and begging of people, donated all her jewellery for the sake of Allah's Deen. The Lord does not deprive those who donate in His way. May Allah bless this great sister with good reward and shower His special blessings on all the members of that family. Thus this invocation is due to all those sisters who are trying to determine and reform the history of the Muslims with the help of such religious deeds. Here are the emotions of the sister who sent the jewellery.

Respected Brother Moulana Muhammad Masood Azhar,

Assalam-o-Alaikum.

May Allah protect you and all your companions! Ameen!

The invocations of all our sisters are due for you and those who sacrifice for Islam. May Allah bless you and all the Mujahideen with so great power and strength that Kashmir may be liberated and the Islamic system may be enforced! Ameen!

O my brother! I am a poor sister of yours. I cannot pay much. This minor gift is my wedding jewellery, please accept it. I am sure if a few

bullets are shot in the heart of the enemy, I will achieve the greatest blessing of the world. Pray for us, may Allah grant us the strength and capacity to help the Mujahideen!

Respected brother! Invoke to Allah to grant my husband the knowledge and strength to take part in Jihad and accept him for His Deen! And accept hearty congratulations on the birth of the young Abdullah Bin Masood. May Allah grant him a long life and give him the powers to follow you in your footsteps! Ameen.

May Allah keep your kindness and affections to us to the day of judgement, Ameen! Forgive me for the errors in the letter. It is my first letter.

Wassalaam,

Your sister,

Wife of Saghir Ahmad,

Landhi, Karachi.

Reply to the letter:

Respected sister,

Wa Alaikum Salam.

Your religious sentiments and great gift are enviable. May Allah accept them! Ameen.

Wassalaam

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BENEFICENCE OF AMMA AISHA'S

TRAINING

You have read the memoirs of the paternal nephew of Amma Aisha in the previous edition. Today the sacred, interesting and didactic memoirs of her maternal nephew shall be presented.

Divine favour descends with the memoirs of Allah's pious slaves. Minor sins are washed away and we are endowed with the courage to avoid big sins. Hazrat Urwa Bin Zubair is a Taabaee (a successor to the Holy Prophet's companions). Taabaee is the lucky Muslim who has enjoyed the company of the companions (Sahaba) of the Holy Prophet and may

have died a believer (Muslim). It means that he is the disciple of the Holy Prophet's disciples. His father Hazrat Zubair is that great man who held up the sword for Islam first of all and Allah sent him salutations through the Holy Prophet. He is the Holy Prophet's cousin and is one of the ten persons who were blessed with the good news of salvation during their lifetime. Hazrat Asma (daughter of Abu Bakr) is the lady who was blessed by the Holy Prophet with the title of "Zaat-ul-Nataaqain".

Hazrat Urwa's grandmother is the Holy Prophet's courageous aunt Hazrat Safia. His maternal grandfather is Hazrat Siddique-e-Akbar. All these relations are important, but Hazrat Urwa was coloured only in the colouring of his maternal Aunt, Hazrat Aisha whose one remark brought Hazrat Urwa (may Allah bless him) from the narrowness and darkness of the world and led him to the great expanse of the next world.

One evening, four beautiful and holy young men - Hazrat Abdullah Bin Zubair, Hazrat Musab Bin Zubair, Hazrat Urwa Bin Zubair and Abdul Malik Bin Marwan were sitting near the Rukn-e-Yamaani of the Holy Kaaba. All of a sudden, the topic of their discussion was turned to a particular point. The topic was the expression of one's heart's desire and imploration to Allah for its fulfilment. All were lost in meditation and their cordial desires were soon on their lips.

Hazrat Abdullah Bin Zubair (may Allah bless him) said: "My desire is to be the ruler of Hijaz and to set up the holy Caliphate there."

Hazrat Musab (may Allah bless him) said; "My desire is to be the sole ruler of Kufa and Basra."

Hazrat Abdul Malik Bin Marwan (may Allah bless him) said; "My wish is to establish Caliphate on the earth after Hazrat Muaawia Bin Abi Sufiyan ".

All the three had expressed their cordial desires but Hazrat Urwa was mute. When all the three compelled him to express his cordial desire, Hazrat Urwa (may Allah bless him) said; "May Allah grant your worldly desires with auspiciousness. My desire is to be a Practical Scholar. People may receive from me teachings of the Holy Quran, Sunnah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and the injunctions of Deen. In this way, I may please Allah, succeed in the next world and get paradise."

Hazrat Urwa had so great indifference to Caliphate that he did not like it while Caliphate is also a service of Deen, but as it also has connection with worldliness, he was not attracted to it. His indifference to the world, and his absorption in the next world was due to the education and training of his Aunt Hazrat Aisha . He used to tell his companions the incident of Amma Aisha. His companion Hazrat Muhammad Bin Munkadar (may Allah bless him) says, "Once, Hazrat Urwa met me. He held me by my hand and said, "O Aba Abdullah " I said, "Yes." He said, "Once I went to Amma Aisha " She said, "O my beloved son!" I said, "O Mother, I am here to serve you." She said, "By Allah, we spent even forty nights at the house of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and no fire was burnt in the house. (neither a candle nor the hearth)." I said, " O my dear mother! How did you live then?" She said, "We lived on dates and water,"...."

Hazrat Urwa comprehended the message of Amma Aisha and was

free from the troubles and miseries of the world. How strange it is that the present day mothers and Aunts involve and entangle their children in the mud, marsh, dirt, anxiety and worries of the world. Amma Aisha knew that worldly thinking was so great a trouble which should not be imparted to the offspring. The man who adopts the thinking of the world hereafter, becomes indifferent to this world. As a result, the world kisses his feet with humiliaton, but the chosen people of Allah even then do not let it enter their hearts.

This lesson of Amma Aisha led Hazrat Urwa (may Allah bless him) to success. Hence, he devoted all his energies and capacities to Allah's Deen, learning and Jihad. Within a few days, he was considered one of the great theologians and adorers of Allah in Madina. He heard Ahadith from the great companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and narrated them with their reference. Besides Amma Aisha, there are many other names of his preceptors like Hazrat Ali , Hazrat Abd-ul-Rehman Bin Auf , Hazrat Zaid Bin Saabit, Hazrat Abu Ayyub Ansaari, Hazrat Usaama Bin Zaid and Hazrat Abu Huraira.

This status of the fortunate disciple can easily be estimated from the grandeur of his great preceptors. It was due to his position in learning that the just rulers like Hazrat Umar Bin Abdul-Aziz sought his suggestions with regard to learning, but he was not content with his learning rather he made this knowledge useful, profitable and secure through his action. He would very often observe supererogatory fasts. He would spend the whole night awake reciting the Holy Quran. He was fond

of offering prolonged prayers. During day time, he used to recite one fourth of the Holy Quran and during the night, he used to recite the rest of the same quantity in prayers. His relation with the Holy Quran was so firm that it remained his life long routine from childhood to death that he completed its recitation in two days. Only once, throughout his whole life, did this routine break.

Recitation of the Holy Quran, company of the Companions" and the training of Amma Aisha" had made him indifferent to the whole creation. He had learnt the skill of how to beg of Allah. Once, when he saw a person offering short prayers, he sent for him and said, "O my nephew! Don't you need anything from Allah? By Allah, I beg everything of Allah in prayers whether it is salt or any other minor thing."

One of the emblems of true and sincere relation with Allah is that man becomes generous and patient. It means that he does not conceal from the creatures which Allah gives him. Rather he spends it generously to thank Allah duly for His bounties. When Allah snatches away something from him and tests him with some misery, he remains patient and does not develop any misgiving or complaint against Allah.

Hazrat Urwa had been granted with both of these blessings. He was both generous and patient. He owned a big garden in Madina. He constructed a wall around his garden to protect the trees and fruits. When the fruits ripened, he demolished the wall at many places so that people might easily enter the garden and eat from its fruit and also take away whatever they liked. No doubt, only that person can do so upon whom the

secrets of Allah's philosophy and benevolence may have been revealed and he knows that spending money is much better than its storage.

So long as his fortitude is concerned, Allah had blessed him abundantly with this great blessing. He was the son of a great Mujahid and the blood of Jihad ran in his veins. Let us read a faith-increasing incident of his patience. This incident may also bless us with many things.

Governor (Ameer) Walid Bin Abdul Malik, during his Caliphate, invited him to come to Damascus. He accepted the offer and went there with his elder son. The Caliph received him warmly. He was already very fond of his visits and company. The Caliph and the Damascun's were showering their passions of love on him that the hour of his trial started. This test was both with regard to his offspring and his body. His son went to Walid Bin Abd-ul-Malik's stable to see his horses. One of the horses went out of control and hit him so hard that he died on the spot.

No sooner had the grieved father Hazrat Urwa buried his son than there appeared a boil on his foot and as a result, the thigh became swollen. The Caliph sent for physicians but the malady was incurable. Hence, the physicians decided to cut away the thigh so that the poison of the sore may not spread through the rest of the body. An expert surgeon was sent for. He, with a sharp knife to cut the muscle and a saw to cut the bone, reached at once. The physicians suggested to give him an intoxicating drug so that he might not feel the pain of the cutting. He said, "I cannot use this prohibited thing for my safety." The physicians said, "Then we will give you the medicine which may cause you senselessness." He said, "I do not

like any part of my body to be cut without feeling pain and hence do not want to remain devoid of remunerations for pain." Seeing this unusual situation, the physicians were surprised and sent for a few people. Hazrat Urwa said, "Who are these people?" The physician said, "These people will hold you when you pull back your foot due to the pain because that pulling back will be very harmful to you." He said, "I do not need them. I will then do the job by the repeated invocation to Allah's name for which you have brought them.

The surgeon began to sever the flesh and then the bone. There was "لا الہ الا اللہ واللہ اکبر" on Hazrat Urwa's lips. When the leg was being severed, the invocation to Allah's name continued on his lips. Then some oil was heated in order to stop the bleeding. When it was wrought to the boiling point, Hazrat Urwa' thigh was dipped into it. This was the time of affliction when due to severe pain, Hazrat Urwa could not recite a few parts of the Holy Quran. This was the only interval in the routine of the recitations of the Holy Quran. When he recovered after the operation, he asked for his severed foot and it was brought, he played with it lovingly and said:

"The Being who sent me with your help to the mosque in the shadows of night, knows well that I never went to any prohibited place or did any prohibited action walking with your help."

Caliph Walid Bin Abdul Malik had great perception of the troubles which his venerable guest had undergone. He always tried to console him in every possible way.

In those days, some people belonging to the tribe Banu Abs (بنو عبس)

came to the Caliph. One of them was a blind person. When the Caliph desired to know the reason of the loss of his eyes, the blind man said;

"O leader of the Muslims! No one among the tribe Banu Abs was superceding me with regard to riches, family circle and offspring. Once, I, with my riches and family, landed at a low lying encampment of my nation. All of a sudden, there was so fierce a flood as we had never witnessed before. This flood swept away all my wealth along with my family. I was left with nothing except one camel and a newly born baby. The camel was very rebellious. It also fled away. I laid the baby on the ground and made after the camel. Hardly had I covered a short distance when I heard the cries of the baby. When I turned back, I saw that a wolf was tearing and swallowing the head of the baby. I ran back to rescue him, but the baby had breathed his last and met his Lord. Then I returned to the camel. When I approached near it, it hit me so hard that my forehead cracked and my eyes were lost. All this happened within a night and I was deprived of my family, riches and eyes." When the Caliph heard his story, he ordered his courtiers to take him to Hazrat Urwa so that he might come to know that there exist more trialed people in the world than he.

Hazrat Urwa himself was very patient. When he came to Madina, he said to the members of his family; "You need not worry seeing me. Allah blessed me with four sons. Then He took away one of them and I was left with the rest of the three, I am grateful to Him. In the same way, Allah gave me four hands and feet. Then He took away one of them and I was left with the other three. I am even thankful to Him at it. I swear by Allah, He

received very little from me and stored a huge for me. He tested me only once in life but He granted me safety and security time and again."

The people of Madina would come to console their spiritual leader. The best words of consolation among them were those of Hazrat Ibrahim Bin Muhammad. He addressed:-

"Congratulations to Abu Abdullah! One of your sons and a part of your body proceeded to Heaven before you. If Allah likes, the whole will follow the parts (it means the rest of the body will also go to Heaven). Allah has kept safe in store for us the thing which we needed i.e. your knowledge, Islamic law and your society. Allah will benefit both you and us through it. Allah is the protector of your rewards and remuneration and guarantor of your judgement."

This incident of Hazrat Urwa has many lessons for the Muslims. May Allah grant us the power to understand it! Hazrat Urwa used to render many useful pieces of advice to his children and disciples. For example:

(1) "My sons! None of you should offer the thing to Allah which you feel ashamed of presenting it to the honourable members of the nation. No doubt, Allah deserves esteem and respect most of all."

The ladies who give the stunk and discarded things for the sake of Allah and preserve good things with them, must learn a lesson from this advice. In the same way, the people who say prayers in soiled clothes and feel ashamed of going to a celebration with those clothes on, should also get admonition. No doubt, Allah's grandeur demands of us to be more and more careful in the case of Allah.

(2) "Get knowledge and subject your actions to it so that you may give it due regard. If you are among the low of your nation, Allah will, no doubt, exalt you to greatness due to your knowledge."

(3) "Always speak good of others. Cordiality should always play upon your face."

Hazrat Urwa" lived all his life uniting the people with Allah and making them indifferent to this world. He himself acted upon what he said. His indifference to the world was so great that when he was breathing his last, he was fasting. The members of the family suggested him to break the fast but he did not agree. He left this world fasting, it is hoped that he opened the fast with sweet and cold water in the Heaven.

Now, in this age of selfishness, the life of the beloved nephew of Amma Aisha" is the best model for the daughters of Hazrat Aisha". Solutions to the worries of this world for man lies in the fact that he should develop thought for the world hereafter and try to be compassionate to the Ummah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ.

These days, people are facing ever new calamities. The root cause of these troubles is that they have made the worldly benefits their only object and target of life and have forgotten the Hereafter completely. Not to speak of other things, even worship is done for the sake of the world and good deeds are done only to embellish this world. Contrary to it, this world is totally mortal and faithless. He, who feels attracted by this world, has to repent at last. There is only mortality and perdition here. Hence, if man makes this world the object of his life will ever remain disgraced and

humiliated. So, why should we not make Allah's good will and attainment of the next world our object of life. We should worship and do all good deeds for it. In this way, the quality of generosity will develop in us. We shall be blessed with patience and fortitude. There will be a light in our hearts which will enlighten us and will also reach other people through us. For Heaven's sake, free yourselves for a few moments from the imbroglio of this world, bow before Allah and meditate for a while on the transience of this world. This will Insha-Allah lead us to the highway of the next world where there is respect and peace, coolness and light, where we will be the humble slaves of the Lord and He will bless us with His love. Where we will store virtues at all times; where we will get rid of the dirty darkness of lasciviousness and sensuality; and we will not be humiliated like beasts only to satisfy our sexual urge.

If Amma Aisha's[ra] training can reveal all these secrets to her nephew, why should we remain devoid of it. Amma Aisha[ra] is our mother also. Hence we can reap benefits of her teachings and training.

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AMERICAN TERRORISM ON AFGHANISTAN

and 5 responsibilities of Banaat-e-Aisha[ra]

Dear sisters! O spirited daughters of Amma Aisha! All of us are now sitting comfortably in our houses while in our neighbourhood, tons of gunpowder, missiles and bombs are being dropped on our Afghan brothers and innocent children. The missiles which shed blood of the courageous and spirited Afghan Muslims, pass through the skies of our country. The seas of the Muslim countries are safe harbours to the American ships. The Airports of Muslim countries are open for emergency landing of their

planes. The heart of a country like Uzbekistan, welcomes warmly the impious and nasty soldiers. This is the country where Imaam Bukhari's City Bukhara and Theologian Abul-Lais Samarkandi's city Samarkand is situated.

O my sisters! The truth is that America's fit of frenzy would have died its own death at the hands of its natural cowardliness if our Muslim countries had not sided with America. America is terrified and has grown coward due to her worldly progress. She sees her future surrounded in dangers, but all the Muslim countries, their armed forces, their oil and capital are open for her help in order to wipe out the Afghan Muslims.

Think for a while, you will have your heart in your mouth due to the intensity of the situation. The Arab countries supply fuel free of cost to the planes which drop bombs on the beautiful, innocent Afghan children. The Muslim countries provide sea-ports to them. The voluptuous rulers, traders and Landlords of the Muslim countries pay the price of these bombs and missiles in the form of their voluptuousness. If an American soldier is injured during bombing, the Airports of Jackobabad and Pasni and the Muslim crew there proudly excel in service in providing him medical aid.

By Allah, all this is nothing else for the Muslims than humiliation, disgrace and ignominy. The sighs and cries of the innocent Afghan children are renting the skies. The lamentations of the oppressed are going beyond the skies. We, Pakistanis, are equally responsible for the massacre of our Muslim brothers due to our cowardice, lethargy and dastardliness. This is certainly so heinous a crime which has undermined the foundations

of Pakistan.

A few voluptuous tyrants put on uniforms and kept oppressing the Muslims of Bengal till yesterday. They raped the respectable girls and turned the innocent children to orphans. Then the sighs of the oppressed rent the skies and our country was broken into two due to the portent of the drunken rulers until we as well as Bangladeshi Muslims were left alone. The Indians held festivities at it and meanwhile, the cruel agents of Christianity who had exploited our poverty, dropped in with daggers on both the countries and started preaching Christianity. Now, thousands of Bengladeshi Muslims have been deprived of Islam and have reached the marsh of Christianity, where there is neither peace of mind nor success in the Hereafter.

The same scene is being repeated these days, but even more heinously and dangerously. The Afghans are brave Mujahideen and staunch Muslims. They are embellished with the excellences of migration and Jihad. They are endowed with the blessings of modesty and sense of honour. They are dear to Allah and have sacrificed their lives, property and everything else. They are still bent upon the enforcement of the ordinance of Islam. They have given shelter to the Arabian princes to protect them from the atrocities of the kuffar (infidels) and hypocrites. They have revived the Sunnah of the Ansaar (helpers) of Madina. They have refused to yield before the Infidels. They have purified Afghanistan of the vices so much that there is neither cable network, unveiling, plundering or looting there. They have beautified themselves with the love of Allah and

decorated their hearts with the splendour of Jihad. They said, "Allah-o-Akbar" (Allah is the greatest of all). They laid down every thing to enforce it. They coloured and scented themselves in the tinge of the civilization and beauty of Madina, throwing away the filth and stench of Europe. They mentioned the name of Islam and made their utmost efforts to enforce it practically. The Afghan women supersede men and men supersede their women to offer sacrifices in the obedience of Allah. This passion of theirs made Afghanistan the fortress of Islam in this age. They remained hungry and thirsty but did not sell their honour, their self-respect, their ego and their religion. They chose to live in mud houses but did not let their nation entangle in the loans on interest. These lovely people of Afghanistan are worthy of praise and adoration. They are so chaste and virtuous that eyes are cooled by paying a visit to them so much so that kissing their soiled feet can be regarded as great luck, but we Pakistani's encouraged their enemies rather than appreciating and applauding the Afgans. We provided a channel to the missiles thrown on them and consequently, we were ranked among the killers of a lofty and pious nation.

O my sisters! This situation is to be lamented and regretted. The fact is that we are feeling hateful of ourselves now. We have rendered such training to our countrymen that when they are flattered by the enemy, they readily strike a cheap bargain of their faith for the sake of some timely respect.

O my sisters! If we had nourished and trained true Muslim children in our houses, we would not have faced such a dark day of atrocities,

troubles and miseries. We deprived them of the Quranic teachings, we clothed them in the Western dress from their very childhood and threw them in the furnace of an English education. Whom will these children obey on growing up except the British. We polluted our houses with sinful actions and regarded the disobedience of Allah as fashion and entertainment. The children brought up in these same houses and educated in these same schools are the rulers now, who are unable to discern Allah's Omnipotence. Hence, they are prostrating before the Infidels and are making their country a fit target of Allah's torment. What else can be expected of people who dance before the TV, take liquor and walk with sexy gestures like the pigs and regard bashlessness as forwardness and lasciviousness as broad-mindedness?

A three year old innocent girl "Rehmat" whose parents have been martyred in the American terrorism asks all the mothers and sisters in Pakistan: Tell me, what is my fault? Why do you nourish such sons and brothers whom support the Jews and the Christians in massacring the Muslims? Why do you keep bringing up hypocrites in your houses till now, to whom Islamic values bear no importance in comparison to the business of usury, who regard the fear of America as greater than Allah's Omnipotence. Whose energies and capacities are spent in killing, threatening and suppressing their Muslim brethren. Who are very hard to their own nation and very kind and mild to others. Who regard their own sovereignty as "national interest" and for this sake, they sell their faith, pride and sense of honour. Tell me please O Pakistani sisters! Do you

nourish only such a generation in your laps who is shoulder to shoulder with the Infidels in order to destroy the only pure Islamic country Afghanistan and to end the Islamic government there? The blood of the Afghan martyrs ask, "O Pakistani sisters! What wrong have we done to you? Is it a crime to provide shelter to a proud and pious Muslim Sheikh Usama Bin Laden?"

On the other hand the coward, voluptuous, bashless and baseless Pakistani rulers apprehended two great sons of the nation; Yousaf Ramzi and Aimal Kaansi, handing them over to the Infidels. These lions now wait for their deaths in the American prisons.

It is regretful that all the Pakistani force is used against their own countrymen. All the terror, greatness and awe of the Muslims was washed away after handing over these true Muslims to the kuffar and as a result the Infidels have been encouraged. Hence, they have begun to demand Usama Bin Laden; while the Indians have started to demand Muhammad Masood Azhar. Will Usama be handed over to the polytheists? Can Muslim sisters, daughters and mothers tolerate it? Is Usama the member of an heirless nation? Only for this crime, America is spreading terrorism in Afghanistan and Pakistan is co-operating with her blindly to curry favour.

Would that we had some solid ground and a reply to satisfy our Afghan brothers and sisters! O bashful and chaste Afghan sisters! We are the real convicts; we are abashed. We reared such individuals whom are loyal neither to their Lord nor to the Muslims. They demand only the fulfilment of their worldly desires. They can sell every thing for their own

sake. It is so sorrowful that this same group are our rulers, this same group is calling for Allah's torment which untill now was on hold.

O Allah! Protect us and the whole Pakistan from this torment. O Allah! All of us are criminals. Many people among us are also there who with Afghans are becoming the target of terrorism. Thank Allah! The role of the Jaish is praiseworthy and commendable in this regard. Jaish does not believe, nor takes part in processions and slogans-chanting, but still the enemy's imposing restrictions on it shows how great deeds the Jaish can do.

O Allah! Do not torment us due to our rulers, politicians and voluptuous leaders. We are exonerated to their wrong decisions. We are shedding tears at the troubles of our chaste and honorable Afghan Muslims. O Allah! Our chaste and pious sisters and mothers spend whole nights on prayer rugs sighing and crying. O Allah! We are not the supporters of the Infidels. We are helpless in our own country. Our rulers are making wrong use of their powers. O Allah! Bless us with the power to perform the duties due on us. Ameen.

O my dear sisters! What can we do on this occasion? We should ponder over it and regard the rest of life as precious and do the duties imposed upon us.

(I). Our first and foremost duty now is to give up sinful actions, beg repentance, worship Allah devoutly, shed tears and implore Allah for the Islamic state of Afghanistan, Hazrat Ameer-ul-Mumineen, Taliban Islamic movement, Jaish-e-Muhammad, all the Mujahideen and Pakistan. This is not the time to be negligent rather to awake and pray. On this occasion, TV

and unveiling should be eliminated, idleness in prayers should be removed. Supererogatory fasts should be observed, repeated innvocation of Allah's good names should be made our routine, the last quarter of the night should be embellished with recitation of the Holy Quran and charity and alms should be increased. Keep in mind, if the Islamic state of Afghanistan does not remain safe, what will be the use of the Muslims to remain alive? What is this life if it does not protect Islam?

(II). The second responsibility is to co-operate with the Islamic state of Afghanistan in every possible way. Note that the required number of Mujahideen has reached there and thousands of others are waiting for their turn. You (Muslim Sisters) should prepare the men folk for practical Jihad and also collect money, beddings, medicines and other required items for the Mujahideen.

(III). The third duty is to try to reform the individuals in your circle who oppose the Taliban; who are still singing in praise of America even in this hour of trial. Make them realise with your own action and character, how great a fault they are involved in and how they are ruining their lives in the Hereafter. In this connection, you will have to work steadfastly because the profanity worshippers and American paramours in our country, are a great cause of humiliation to us.

(IV). The fourth is to rely completely on the Markaz (headquaters) in this critical juncture. The people who are spreading different doubts and fears about the Jaish-e-Muhammad are under the influence of propaganda from the Infidels and those who want to emaciate the sacred movement of the

Muslims. Now, voices are being raised, "Why are the Jaish people sitting silent and passive? Why do they not take part in the demonstrations and processions? Why do they not co-operate and work shoulder to shoulder with the Afghans?" I am sure, our sincere sisters will not be affected by this useless idle talk because they know that only the Jaish has rendered full co-operation with the Taliban throughout this crisis and even now Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ is facing and sharing American terrorism shoulder to shoulder with the Taliban. America's imposing restrictions on it and India's raising a hue and cry against it is in itself a clear proof that it is still a cause of torment to the enemy.

O my sisters! It is the time of trial. The common united power of a number of countries is working collectively to end up the leadership of the Jaish. The Infidels are leaving no stone unturned to wipe out the very being of the Jaish. If, in this situation, you (sisters) fall prey to the false propaganda of the so-called Muslims instead of facing the enemy and strengthening the Jaish, your "Fedai" brothers whose flesh has been minced to pieces, will certainly lodge a complaint against you to Allah.

We have (Allah be thanked) adopted practical ways out rather than earning cheap popularity and are doing our duty fully. You, all the Banaat-e-Aisha ؓ, should remain united and attached with the Markaz and work by the sweat of your brow to strengthen it.

(V). The fifth is that in this situation, if the enemy scores victory (apparently) and succeeds in harming the leadership of the Jaish, you should not be disappointed. Jaish-e-Muhammad ﷺ is not the name of an

organization, but that of an ideology. Whether the Jaish and its leadership remains alive or not, you are to live as "Banaat-e-Aaisha" ".

The unflinching faith, firm theory of Jihad, invincible modesty and high religious character is the message given to you by your brothers. You are to protect this message and spread it throughout the world remaining in the limits of Shariah. It will be our utmost effort to keep Jaish-e-Muhammad working in the same way; to maintain the publication of the magazine Banaat-e-Aisha" and to continue other tasks of the movement and religion. If duty calls and we are to sacrifice these things, we shall, by the grace of Allah, not hesitate. At that time, you can read the previous articles and editorials which will provide you with enough instructions to work, manage and continue the work in future because Islam and its message are to remain alive at any cost, all the rest is mortal. You are to remain firm on Islam in every situation, you are to live and die for it and not to let your faith, ideology and character suffer a loss. Now, Islam will certainly rise with its full lustre and splendour, but this job is demanding and asks a lot of sacrifice. Let us see who is accepted and acknowledged for this sacred task before the others? O Allah! The movement Banaat-e-Aisha" has been and will be only for You. So protect it please! Ameen!

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BLESSINGS OF JIHAD AGAINST AMERICA

Today, I am to give my chaste, proud and courageous sisters the latest news and tell them about the current situation because it is certain that the kind-hearted Muslim sisters will be greatly worried and anxious. I hope that, by the grace of Allah, passion will replace anxiety; aversion against Kufr will replace worries after the revelation of the true situation. Please read a survey of the latest situation.

The greatest deceiver (dajjal) of this age "America" started bombing Afghanistan on the night of October 07, 2001, this horrible bombing continues till the present day i.e. November 10, 2001. America

perceiving the fact **"The Dying Sun Cannot Be the Lord."** Hence, American awe and terror is gradually diminishing from the hearts of the people and they are comprehending Allah the Almighty's power, strength, Omnipotence and His divine help with the true religious people. Now, the American dollar is devaluing, the American society is pining away, her economy is facing ever new losses and the Americans are themselves feeling sorry of being Americans.

2. The groups who make the Muslims irreligious, have always been spreading venom against the Muslim scholars and Mujahideen. The Muslims naturally love the Holy Quran, hence the man who has Quranic knowledge becomes dear to the Muslims. The agents of the Infidels create repugnance in the common Muslims against the scholars who have acquaintance with Quranic teachings. As they want to spread obscenity, nudity, immodesty and paganism among the Muslims, they, first of all revile the true scholars so that the Muslims may be detached from them. Then it becomes somewhat easy for them to lead them astray. These people who try to lead the Muslims astray, first of all spread the propaganda against the scholars that America is at their back. America provides them dollars, motor vehicles and even houses. Hearing this, the so-called Muslims develop an aversion against the scholars and the Mujahideen and they, without thinking, fall an easy prey to these heretics.

I remember well that in the beginning, there was the same kind of propaganda against the Taliban that America had generated and nourished them. At that time, many of the so-called thinkers without any true

was under the delusion that after a few days' ferocious bombing, she will be able to force the proud and courageous Afghans to give in and establish a purely Americanised government in Afghanistan. Fortunately, the situation is totally opposite and America is yet unable to score even one percent success in her target. However, the Muslims have claimed a number of benefits from this new World War. For example:

1. America met a loss of millions of dollars in the bomb explosion on World Trade Centre and Pentagon. She was still unable to make good this loss that her detriments in this war started. These detriments are also estimated not in millions but in billions. A strange unrest and disruption prevail over America. People have started vacating high buildings. Anthrax has spread awe and uneasiness everywhere. The Americans sleep has beem driven off due to the fear of expected vengeance attacks in reaction to the American attack on Afghanistan. According to the newspapers sleeping pills in the medical stores have been sold out. All the pride and coquetry of the country which pronounced انا ربکم الاعلی (I am thy great Lord) and whom our Muslims were worshipping, has reduced to a miserable state. America was one of the greatest idols in the world by whose worship people were buying for themselves hell.

Our people mis-shaped even their shapes and changed their faces for the sake of America. They deserted the holy path of Madina and followed the nasty paths of America. They considered America invincible and also that success lay only in being Americans. These days, when this statue has become hollow and is about to crumble down, the Muslims are

knowledge proved Taliban to be American agents and the credulous people were greatly influenced by their propaganda. In the same way, when I was released by the special blessings and grace of Allah, there was the same kind of slogan that America and India had a hand in this release. The people who launch such propaganda are those who have made their appearance and bearing like those of the Americans. The execrable sounds of dances and songs always echo in their houses and their lives are seen in the grip of the torment of sinful actions. These people invite the Muslims to immodesty and unveiling, divert them from the holy footsteps of the Prophet ﷺ and his holy wives[ra] and excel in every act of disobedience to Allah. Inspite of all these nasty actions, people are duped by their slick tongues when they blame the scholars and Mujahideen that they are supported by America. Now, the gushing storm of this propaganda has died its own death. Look! On whom is America assailing these days? Whom is India demanding again and again? Who are being bombed these days? Who are fighting the holy war against America today? And who are kissing and licking the American's feet?

O Muslim sisters! It is now very easy to distinguish between friends and foes. These people are telling lies that, till yesterday America was supporting Usama Bin Laden. It is a clear cut slander, Sheikh Usama came to Afghanistan as a common Mujahid in his very adolescence. After that he progressed (by the grace and succour of Allah) and became the leader of the Mujahideen. Allah has blessed him with so much wealth and communion with his ownself that not to speak of accepting American

dollars, he does not even like to spit at them. These people are mis-stating that America had been buttering-up and encouraging Ameer-ul-Mumineen Mulla Muhammad Umar, whereas Ameer-ul-Mumineen never needed any such currier like America?

Now millions of Muslim men and women are ready to lay down their lives for our Ameer-ul-Mumineen. The Muslim ladies are sacrificing their jewellery for his protection. Ameer-ul-Mumineen has been the friend of Allah and the enemy of America. Even today he is pronouncing Allah-o-Akbar under the volleys of bombs. Same is the case with the Jaish-e-Muhammad, they also are friends of Allah and foes of America. Hence thousands of Muslim men and women are ever ready to serve it.

Yes! American friends are the people who populated the cinemas and depopulated the mosques. American paramours are those who forced the daughters of Amma Aisha[ra] to unveil themselves and dance on the stage. American companions are the individuals who feathered their nests, erected high buildings and then filled those houses with impious instruments and items of sinful actions. American supporters are people who spread immodesty, nationalism and materialism among the Muslims in the name of broad-mindedness and modern education. American beloveds are those who regard the poor worse than dogs, disgrace them and consequently invite their own damnation. American loyalists are the people who stray day and night like wild beasts in the pursuit of unlawful acts and slaughter Allah's commandments for a few coins. American supporters are the folk who consider the poor mean and abject, weigh Muslim daughters in the

currency of dowry and make fun of the poverty of the meek. American fidels are the fellows, who regard their arguments as weighty after reading only a few Urdu books, then reproach the scholars and try to harm Islam. American companions are the folk who sell human beings to fill their pockets, beat them, ruin their health and bring about inequality in society. American friends are the men who are cowards and do not come out for Jihad, rather they regard the fight against America as their extinction. These people are outwardly peace-lovers, but actually they want to impose America upon the Muslims.

All these groups of people influenced by American germs, i.e. the immoral and corrupt politicians, bribed, corrupt and cruel officers, beastly landlords, blood thirsty peers and seers, unjust and immodest traders, materialists and time server beaurocrats are spread all around us. One feels ashamed of calling them with the word **"MAN"**. They are always busy spending their time undermining and ruining the Muslims and sucking their blood. They are all praise for America, they are waiting for the termination of the Taliban government in Afghanistan so that they may be able to wipe out the religious people from Pakistan. All these tyrants used to address the scholars and Mujahideen as American agents till yesterday, but today they themselves are prostrating humbly before America.

O my Muslim sister! Recognize these tyrants and never be taken in by their slick tongues. These days, Afghan children are being slaughtered but these people are busy in singing, dancing and merry-making. These senseless people are the slaves of their carnal desires and smothering of

mankind is their motto. These people who put on gorgeous clothes and appear civilized, are more cruel than wild beasts. They provide butter to their dogs but do not even tolerate to provide a stale piece of bread to the children of their poor tenants. They are the looters and traders of the chastities of innocent women. They have mortgaged the whole nation at the hands of the Jews and the Christians. Beware, now it is high time to get rid of these people to strengthen your relation with Allah the Almighty and to value and applaud the Mujahideen. If we do so, we will, by the grace of Allah, get rid of America and her devilish companions.

3. Another advantage that the Muslims scored in this war is that the status of the Muslim nation has much raised now. A short while ago, the Muslims were begun to be considered a coward and venal nation. A high ranking American official went to the extent to say about Pakistanis that these people will sell even their mothers for the sake of a few dollars. This comment was made when the government of Pakistan handed over a Muslim citizen 'Aimal Kaansi' to America. A feudal (tribal) political lord of Dera Ghazi Khan had rendered full cooperation to America in arresting him. Moreover, not only Pakistan but most of the Muslim countries also sided with the Infidels to torture their Muslim brothers on the orders of America.

Seeing all this, it seemed that the Muslims had been deprived of the "Islamic system of fraternity" which the Holy Prophet ﷺ had established in Madina. Ameer-ul-Momeneen's firm stand against the Infidels and hypocrites, for the sake of a Muslim brother, shows a new ray of hope

which has again granted Islam the same dignity it deserves. Moreover, a mad pursuit of thousands of Muslims to Afghanistan, the march of the old, the young and the children from all over the world to Afghanistan regardless of the bombing there. Muslim ladies' sacrifice of their jewellery for Jihad and many women's desire to participate in Jihad, are all the blessings of Jihad which has created a new awareness and a sense of honour among the sleepy Muslim nation. It is certain that when the Muslim rises, no one can hinder him from dominating or conquering others.

4. Another advantage of the present day Jihad against America has been exposed in a way that Allah has granted a number of Muslim men and women with the power and capacity to repent of their sinful actions. A Muslim's repenting of his sinful actions is no less a bliss than conquering a country. A number of bits of information are being received from the Arab and Non-Arab, European and Asian countries that the Muslims have renounced the American products, American dress, American styles and shapes, and are adopting Islamic civilization and culture. The situation till yesterday was that all of American filth was considered a fashion and blessing, manners and teachings of the Holy Prophet ﷺ were regarded as backwardness and conservatism. For example, eating while sitting on the ground was backwardness and grazing here and there like animals was progress; observing veil was backwardness and walking immodestly was development.

In short, Allah forbid, the Muslims had preferred America to Madina everywhere. This thing was very harmful to the Muslims, but since

the Muslims have seen the true face of America, they are renouncing every kind of sinful action and are reverting wildly to Allah. They have broken musical instruments, eradicated the TB of TV from their houses and made arrangements for offering prayers and reciting the Holy Quran. A flood of abomination against America in Saudi Arabia is gushing forth. Now men regard having beards and women regard observing veil as an auspiciousness. Even Allah's disobedient people are shedding tears of regret. They are repenting and sighing in the darkness of the night and embellishing their lives for the next world.

5. Allah has endowed many of the Mujahideen with the blessing of martyrdom due to this Jihad. Till now, more than eighty brothers of Banaat-e-Aisha have been martyred in the American bombing. Ten Mujahideen in Kabul and Bagram, fifty five in the Darra-e-Sauf and sixteen in Mazar Sharif have obtained the high rank of martyrdom. A number of important commanders also include them. We have not issued the list of martyrs to the press and media but have certainly offered it to Allah the Almighty. Our hearts are sore at their separation and martyrdom, but we look at them with envy at their attainment of such a high rank. The Holy Prophet ﷺ has given glad tidings of double reward to the Mujahid who is martyred at the hands of the Jews and the Christians. These companions of ours have, by the grace of Allah, obtained double reward and have reached a high rank in paradise. The vengeance of their blood is obligatory on us and completion of their mission is our dire responsibility.

Some of these martyred companions have left behind them their

newly married brides, we congratulate these sisters. "Allah will not leave you helpless. Your husbands were great people. Instead of dying for the attainment of worldly pursuits, they died for the sake of Deen and became immortal. Now the protection of their dignity is your duty. If you remain firm in your faith, you will, by the grace of Allah, be blessed with the blessings which a common woman cannot even imagine. Your husbands had been awarded only these few years to live. If they had not been martyred in Afghanistan, even then they would have left this mortal world at the fixed time. So, please do not regard it as an ill-luck but consider it a good luck that Allah has blessed you with a relationship with His chosen ones".

This world is mortal and all of us are to leave it. The people, who are coronated with the crown of martyrdom, score a great success. Moreover it is certainly committed that Allah provides special protection to the members of the families of the martyrs and the pious people. Please read the incident of Hazrat Musa علیہ سلام and Hazrat Khizr علیہ سلام in the fifteenth portion of the Holy Quran how Allah is appointing His two dear prophets on the construction of a wall of the two orphans of a pious person. It is Allah's firm and strong system, but the man who himself expresses ingratitude, disobeys Allah, becomes impatient and begs of others than Allah, is deprived of His special blessings.

We congratulate all the members of the families of the martyrs and advise them to be patient. We request all the Banaat-e-Aisha* sisters to look after the members of the families of the martyrs more than their own ones.

If they do so, they will, by the grace of Allah, be blessed with the reward of the Mujahid who fights against the kuffar in the forefront.

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THE PRESENT SITUATION

IN THE LIGHT OF TEN QURANIC TEACHINGS

A few sacred verses of the Holy Quran are being presented to the Muslim sisters. These verses will be of great help in understanding the true situation in the midst of the obscene noise of coloured newspapers and, by the grace of Allah, will help in determining the future course of action. Please read the truth from your great and loved Lord and feel happy how usefully He guides us at every step. Allah the Almighty says in the Quran:

1. "That which befell you on the day when the two armies met was by permission of Allah; that He might know the true believers; and that He

might know the hypocrites, unto whom it was said: Come, fight in the way of Allah, or defend yourselves. They answered: If we knew aught of fighting we would follow you. On that day, they were nearer to disbelief than faith. They utter with their mouths a thing which is not in their hearts. Allah is best aware of what they hide. Those who while they sat at home, said of their brethren (who were fighting for the cause of Allah): If they had been guided by us, they would not have been slain. Say (unto them O Muhammad): Then avert death from yourselves if ye are truthful." (The Family of Imran 166 -168).

These verses give us answers to a number of questions. The befalling of calamity on the Muslims on the day of the "Battle of Uhud" was a trial. Allah the Almighty was distinguishing between the true Muslims and the hypocrites. The hypocrites were holding festivities when their lives were saved. They were also beside themselves with joy at the loss of the Muslims and were saying that if they had followed their advice, they would have been saved. These hypocrites have been allowed to escape death for ever if they were truthful. The scenario which these verses are presenting is that on the one side, there were wounded and plundered Muslims who had to face miseries apparently and on the other side, were the safe and sound hypocrites who were making fun of these wounded and afflicted Muslims and feeling pride in their sagacity and wisdom. The Quranic verses were revealed in the background of this same scene and a clear pronouncement was issued that the wounded Muslims need not worry and the safe and sound hypocrites need not be happy. The question arises here: What else

can the Muslims do than being sorrowful, worried and disappointed while a large number of Muslims have been slain. The answer to this question is revealed from the skies in these words:

2. "Think not of those, who are slain in the way of Allah, as dead. Nay, they are living. With their Lord, they have provision. Jubilant (are they) because of that which Allah hath bestowed upon them of His bounty: rejoicing for the sake of those who have not joined them but are left behind: that there shall no fear come upon them neither shall they grieve. They rejoice because of favour from Allah and kindness and that Allah wasteth not the wage of the believers" (The family of Imran 169-171)

It is clearly said in these verses that true jubilance has been awarded only to those who have been martyred by the Infidels. Another happiness is for those who although were not martyred yet stood firm in the battlefield. Sure enough the hypocrites will not be able to escape a dreadful death. However, they have been deprived of the death which should be called eternal life. Now the true believers can easily decide who scored success and who stood plucked.

This is the matter of the world hereafter while true peace of mind is given only to those who fear only Allah and are not cowed down by the awe of any paganistic power. Allah the Almighty says:

3. "As for those who heard the call of Allah and His messenger after the harm befell them (in the fight) for such of them as do right and ward off (evil), there is great reward. Those unto whom men said: Lo! the people have gathered against you, therefore fear them. But (the threat of danger)

increased the faith of them and they cried: Allah is sufficient for us! Most excellent is He in whom we trust. So they returned with grace and favour from Allah, and no harm touched them. They followed the good pleasure of Allah and Allah is of infinite bounty. It is only the devil who would make (men) fear his partisans. Fear them not, fear Me, if you are true believers." (The family of Imran 172 -175).

A few things have been explained in these verses.

i). The true believers do not fear the armies and power of the Infidels.

ii). The Muslims who trust in Allah and stand firm in the battlefield even after receiving wounds or meeting defeat for the time being, are victorious.

iii). It is only the devil who frightens the Muslims of the strength of the kuffar.

iv). The Muslims should give the proof of their true faith and not fear the Infidels but fear only of one Allah.

v). The Muslims should not be dejected and should not lose heart at a slight defeat and affliction.

Allah says at another place:

4. "How should I fear that which ye set up beside Him, when ye fear not, so set up beside Allah that for which He hath revealed unto you no warrant? Which of the two factions hath more right to safety? (Answer Me that) if ye have knowledge. Those who believe and obscure not their belief by wrong doing, theirs is safety; and they are rightly guided. (Cattle 82-83).

This is Hazrat Ibrahim's علیہ سلام address to his nation in which he

has stated the standard of success, peace and self-confidence. No doubt, only that person is successful whose belief is secure and he has the right to express his peace of mind. The person who regards others as powerful as Allah the Almighty and adulterates in his faith, deserves no success and peace of mind. Keeping this standard in view, this can easily be understood that those who are killed saving their Eemaan (belief) are successful and glorious and those who sell their belief and are saved for the time being, are plucked. It also comes to be known from this verse that the true believers are not afraid of the infidels, their might and their gods. Seeing this situation, the hypocrites are firstly surprised: "Of what stuff they (true believers) are made that they fear neither of death nor defeat, nor Infidels nor their power". This surprise of the Infidels sustains for a while then they come down to their inborn wretchedness and begin to make fun of the Muslims who believe in Allah the Almighty and offer a challenge to the infidels as Allah says:

5. "When the hypocrites and those in whose hearts is a disease said: Their religion hath deluded them. Who putteth his trust in Allah (will find that). Lo! Allah is mighty, wise. (Spoils of War 49)

Hazrat Shah Sahib writes: Seeing the bravery of the Muslims, the hypocrites began to censure in this way. Hence Allah said, "It is not pride but trust in Allah". "(Mauza-ul-Quran)

Hazrat Usmaani writes, "Seeing a small class of the Muslims, their helplessness with so great bravery and boldness, the hypocrites and the poor-faithed Muslims began to say that these Muslims are deluded by their

Deen (religion) and its righteousness and hence they invite death for themselves in this way. Allah the Almighty answers it that it is not delusion but trust in Allah. The man who has faith in the Omnipotence of Allah and believes that whatever happens from Allah, is totally correct and justified, becomes so courageous and brave with regard to the Deen.

This verse was revealed on the eve of the battle of Badr when only three hundred and thirteen (313) Muslims with a few crooked and broken swords were going to face an armed and powerful army of 1000 Infidels. Seeing this situation the hypocrites had objected. The Holy Quran answered clearly.

The defeated and limited minded writers and intellectuals of the present day also make fun of the Taliban in the same way. Some people scoff at the Taliban by talking of enumerating swallows in the skies while the others are calling them narrow-minded and imprudent. There is sufficient answer in this verse for these foulmouthed people. Those who have made the Jews and Christians their gods and lords cannot answer these verses. Allah the Almighty says:

6. "O ye who believe! Take not the Jews and Christians for friends. They are friends one to another. He among you who taketh them for friends is (one) of them. Lo! Allah guideth not wrong doing folk. And thou seest those in whose heart is a disease race toward them; saying: We fear lest a change of fortune should befall us. And it may happen that Allah will vouchsafe (unto thee) the victory or a commandment from His presence. Then will they repent of their secret thoughts." (The Table Spread 51-52)

Read the above mentioned verses again and again, a number of facts will be exposed to you. If you cannot do the whole reading, please read only the marginal note of the "Tafseer Usmaani" and then analyse the present situation. Then the truth of every word will be visible to you. "If we do not side with the Infidels, they will turn our country to ruination. We know that supporting the Infidels is wrong but in the hour of life and death, even the unlawful thing becomes lawful. If we do not side with these Infidels, we will have to live in caves". Some people, during the life time of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, also used to regard the essence of this situation as the vicissitude of misfortune that if they did not side with the Jews, they would fall a prey to the vicissitude of misfortune. It meant that they would also fall a victim to the calamity that befell the Holy Prophet and his great companions. In the same way, the cowardly people of this age also believe that the people, who talk of true Islam, will soon be wiped out. Nothing of this sort did ever happen in the past nor will, by the grace of Allah, happen in future. Those people will certainly have to repent who are effacing each and every injunction of Islam and its mark only to save their lives and country for the time being and are working against their Muslim brothers in order to obtain the impious money of the Infidels. Now, this question arises: "Allah has promised His Divine help for the true Muslims. If the Taliban had been true Muslims, they would have been victorious and not have to face retreat, martyrdom or injuries". To answer this misgiving, please read as Allah says:

7. "O ye who believe! Seek help in steadfastness and prayer. Lo!

Allah is with the steadfast. And call not those who are slain in the way of Allah "dead". Nay they are living, only ye perceive not. And surely we shall try you with something of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and lives and crops; but give glad tidings to the steadfast. Who say, when a misfortune striketh them: Lo! We are Allah's and Lo! Unto Him we are returning. Such are they on whom are blessings from their Lord, and mercy. Such are the rightly guided". (The Cow 153-157)

We learn from these verses that Allah tries the true believers with different kinds of misfortunes. This proves that befalling of calamities is not against ones Eemaan (faith). Hence, the people who talk of the trial that befell the Taliban and doubt their belief, should themselves ponder over their belief, because in these verses, those believers have been called the guided ones who show patience when misfortunes from Allah befall them. Now, the Taliban have also showed such patience and there is not a single word of complaint on their lips rather they are steadfast in the battlefield even after receiving injuries. At another place, Allah says:

8. "Oh think ye that ye will enter paradise while yet there hath not come unto you the like of (that which come to) those of who passed away before you? Affliction and adversity befell them, they were shaken as with earthquake till the messenger (of Allah) and those who believed along with him said: When cometh Allah's help? Now, surely Allah's help is in sight."

Hazrat Usmaani explains these verses: It is mentioned above that the Prophets and their Ummahs have been tortured by the enemies. Now it is an address to the Muslims whether they wish to enter the Paradise

whereas they have not faced the affliction which had befallen the previous Ummahs. They faced hunger, disease and awe of the kuffar so much till the Holy Prophet and his Ummah, became so helpless and meek that they began to say, Let us see when, the help which Allah has promised, will descend."

When the situation became so tense, Allah's greatness paid attention and ordered to be vigilant. "Do not worry, Allah's help has come. O Muslims, do not be crest fallen at the worldly troubles and domination of the enemy. Show forbearance and remain steadfast". (Tafseer Usmaani).

This thing becomes clear from this brief explanation that calamities, troubles and fear of the enemy have been befalling the Holy Prophets and their companions; and all the Muslims who deserve Paradise will also face it. Now, after the exposure of this fact, who can say that in Afghanistan, Mujahideen's timely retreat and the losses they met, is a proof of the fact that Allah's succour is not with them. If some one says so, what will be his ideas about the Prophets in the past. We can only pray to Allah to give the Muslims the perception of Deen. For further clarification of this point, please examine another verse:-

9. "And with how many a Prophet have there been a number of devoted men who fought (beside him). They quailed not for aught that befell them in the way of Allah, nor did they weaken, nor were they brought low. Allah loveth the steadfast." (The Family of Imran 146)

We come to know from this verse that the Prophets of Allah and their pious companions kept fighting with the Infidels. Different calamities also befell them in that fight but they always remained steadfast. We learn

that neither battle against the non-believers is a bad thing nor the befalling of calamities a new thing. It is a wonder that in the existence of so clear verses, how, many of the Muslims oppose Jihad and pass satirical remarks at the Taliban's timely retreat. May Allah lead all the Muslims to the right path! Ameen!

Now, the whole scenario, in the light of the Quranic teachings is clear to us. One question is still unsolved and that is what we should do in this situation? The Holy Quran gives its very satisfactory answer. Allah the Almighty says:-

10. "As for those who heard the call of Allah and His messenger after the harm befell them (in the fight); for such of them as do right and ward off (evil), there is great reward." (The Family of Imran 172)

In the battle of Uhud, the Muslims had received mental and physical injuries, but the instant the fight ended, the Holy Prophet received the news that the enemy was reverting and marching to Madina to make the fiercest and fateful attack on the Muslims as they want to wipe out the Muslims completely; he ﷺ ordered the Muslims to advance and make after the enemy. Hearing this order, many of the seriously injured companions of the Prophet ﷺ, set out at once. When the Infidel army tried to frighten them, their zeal and zest was ignited even more. The Holy Quran praises these injured Mujahideen. Now, we the Muslims are again injured. Only that person will be successful and glorious who, inspite of being wounded, follows the orders of Allah the Almighty and His messenger ﷺ and continues Jihad against the Infidels. However worse

the circumstances are, we are to remain attached with our Lord and our dear Prophet ﷺ. We are to keep the task of Jihad alive and continue our efforts against every vice and evil. May Allah grant us steadfastness! Ameen!

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CIRCUMSTANCES ARE CHANGED

NOT IDEOLOGIES

Do you remember the last writing which was published in The "Banaat-e-Aisha^" before my arrest? It was "Ten Quranic Lessons" for the sisters in the light of the present circumstances. That article was written during my short stay in Karachi. The Magazine was published, a few of its copies were in my vehicle and I was arrested along with these. The vehicle was thoroughly searched, but what could the searchers find in the belongings of a broken-hearted passenger? At night, an officer demanded permission to read the magazine, I answered "With pleasure." He sat

before me and began to read the editorial. He itched his head again and again and at last said, "Did you write this?" Then it automatically came on his lips, "All the things said are correct but -------- Yes." then, I was handcuffed.

A speech was being broadcast in a separate cell in the Mianwali prison. I had some perception of the circumstances. The speaker seemed in great anger. On January 12, 2002, the cold frosty night, horrifying loneliness, pierced and chipped walls, black iron gate, an old bed, a prayer rug, a number of depressions, injured feelings and stains of loyal blood --------- the speech was at such a point that the breath lost its balance. Restriction was imposed. I did not know what else was not nullified.

The night was passing, the Radio was silent, but thoughts were still awake. One thought was what will be of my dear "Banaat-e-Aisha"? After that, perhaps I went to sleep because Allah is Omnipresent.

The Jail was that of my own country but the circumstances were totally alien. The sympathizers always remained fearful of their highers (officers). I was told on the very first day that all the links were disconnected. No newspaper, no radio. "We want to provide you with these items but are helpless. We have great respect and love for you but we have no power or authority. We are government servants, helpless and powerless." It was strange that they were helpless before their higher authorities but I bowed before the highest authority, the all Omnipotent; the Omnipresent; and stretched out my hands in prayers.

O Allah! Although I am very weak yet am attached to Your Deen.

Let not the devil disappoint me by keeping me in darkness about the situation. The next day, I was provided with a newspaper and then after two days a Radio was also provided. Allah is great, very great, the greatest of all.

One day, the headline of the "Nawa-i-Waqt" struck me like a thunder bolt. The names of the journals which were banned, had been printed in it. The name of "Banaat-e-Aisha" also included them. I had with me only my brain, two empty hands and prayer. A few tears were still suspended in my eyes, I was already dejected, this news just added fuel to the fire, but Allah protected me of disappointment. I recalled the wailing implorations of the mothers and pious passions of the sisters and then in my narrow cell, once again, my hands were raised and the head bowed.

Thirteen months of detention were spent at three places. There were certain ups and downs in the circumstances. Many times, the clouds of release appeared but always tentalized me. I took up the pen many times to write down something but never felt inclined. I came to know that by the grace of Allah, the monthly Banaat-e-Aisha was being published regularly. This news brought jubilance to me and I thanked Allah the Almighty. I happened to read one or two volumes and was pleased.

Someone told me that the sisters had started losing interest in the Magazine and hence the number of its publication had dropped. This news was very surprising and troubling. There were two extremes; formerly, there was a flood of religious passions and devotion to the Magazine and now the present deteriorating state of affairs.

May Allah bless my companions with auspiciousness! Who continued the publication of this religious and reformative magazine under very adverse circumstances. When I received the "Seerat Number" (volume dedicated to the life of the prophet ﷺ) of the magazine, I could not help putting forth a few suggestions. After that, relatives, friends and companions began to push me to start writing articles and editorials, but what could I write and how could I? Our nation could not face a so-called timely and transient defeat and hence began to invite depressions and nourish disappointment. In actual practice, they had lost nothing, but wonderfully, those who had offered sacrifices of lives and properties and were locked up in jails, were contented and resigned. Those whose clothes were not even soiled, began to raise a hue and cry of depression and to censure those who were putting forth practical work. In this darkness of disappointment, the Muslims made many mistakes and carried out many tyrannies. Alas! They would not have done so if they had read the teachings of the Holy Quran. In this situation, I could write only a few articles, but the disconnected relation with Banaat-e-Aisha[»] could not be restored in the thirteen months of imprisonment.

Do you recall the announcement that had resounded after eleventh September 2001, "We will extirpate and wipe out Jihad completely." The extirpation meant that such circumstances were to be created in which the Muslims themselves might become the foes of Jihad, although the opponents of Islam have been trying to end up and uproot Jihad for the last 1421 years yet they are always disappointed and dejected. So, now they

have with them the full record and history of their failures. They know that it is beyond their powers to extirpate, stop or weaken this absolute obligation. In the past, the floods of the Infidels, the Jews, the Christians, the Tartars and the Europeans flowed violently. All were claimant of providence and divinity in them. All of them wanted to extirpate Jihad and for this purpose, they did all they could, but with what results? All of them were flowed in it, wiped out or shrunk to their own miserable holes. On the other hand, not to speak of Jihad, they could not even wash away the glisten and smell of the blood of martyrs. The Jihad and Mujahideen were always pushed into the dangerous bonfires. All the Muslims and non-Muslims began to come under the misgiving that the name of Jihad had been erased completely, but after a short while, Jihad again began to laugh and smile, roar and challenge, glisten and glitter.

During their failures, the opponents of Islam have learnt the formula that they themselves cannot harm Jihad but only, if they use the Muslims as a tool; and that if only a small group of Muslims gets ready to oppose Jihad, they will be successful to some extent.

The Mujahideen are thieves, burglars, terrorists, materialists, mundane, liars and cowards. They collect contributions and embezzle them. They have collected Jewellery from women and have erected their own sky-scrappers. They are voluptuous, government agents and tools of the Agencies. They have been bought and bribed. They have become wanton, vulgar and immodest. They are Indian and American agents. They harm the cause of Islam and Pakistan. All these acqusations rose like the

airs of the atlantic ocean and prevailed over the minds and hearts of the credulous Muslims. Resultantly, the common Muslims began to spread venom against the Mujahideen.

Alas! The silly and simple-minded Muslims could not even apprehend the Infidels' underhand games and propaganda. On the other hand the Infidels knew well that Jihad could not be extirpated until those who invite to Jihad were disreputed and disgraced. Hence they, flung filth on those of whom they were afraid of, to defame them so that no one might listen to their speeches and attend to their call and as a result, their cordial compassions might not be able to awaken the Muslims. A lot of Capital was devoted only for this purpose. Efforts were made to erect a big dam of imputations, notorieties and accusations against the echoing and challenging call for Jihad so that people might themselves break the cassettes of Jihad, tear up the books and spit spitefully i.e. they themselves might hit their own eyes and mince their own hands with their own teeth. In this way, the enemy's job becomes very easy to wipe out such unarmed nations.

The voices of "Al-Jihad", "Al-Jihad" everywhere, the Mujahideen government of Afghanistan, Jihad in Palestine, Chechnya and Kashmir, pure Jihad movements in many other places, the rush of Jihadi books, the flow of Jihadi cassettes and a large number of publications of Jihadi magazines.... All this happened after centuries but with so great force that the enemy were stunned. There were Jihadi congregations of millions of people. There used to be great hustle and bustle in the training centres and

so warm a reception and answer to the call for Jihad. Such examples were very rare in the past. The Muslims of every kind, colour, race and territory were racing madly towards Jihad which was bringing them out of the deep trenches of differences and collecting them under the flag of unity. There was a strange storm of frenzy. The mothers themselves began to send their children to the battle field. The sisters would sing Epics and lullabies of Jihad to their brothers. The wives themselves started preparing their husbands for it. A strange and blessed religious atmosphere prevailed over everything. There were ferocious and unruly troops of the "Fedai" and Jihad was connecting the present of Islam with its past. What was all this? Was it not Allah's blessings on the Mujahideen? Was it not the Muslims' good luck and good fortune? Was it not the fruit of the Mujahideen's sincere efforts and sacrifices? If it is, think for a while whether Jihad has been soiled within one year and the Mujahideen have become so lascivious and lecherous? Never! Never! By Allah, Never! This false abomination against Mujahideen has been propagated to wipe out Jihad. Only this aversion practised so great atrocities which a common Muslim can never even imagine.

The present campaign against Jihad is multi-dimensional with many stages. At the first step, Jihad and the Mujahideen are the target. If (Allah forbid) it succeeds (which it will certainly not), the next stage will be to hit on the armed forces and weapons of the Muslim countries. At the third step, ending up of all the Muslim rulers (although they are so-called) and their governments will be the target. It is their plan to use the Muslim

masses and their rulers as their tools to wind up Jihad and wipe out the Mujahideen so that a horrible civil war and bloodshed among the Muslims may start.

Now, three tricks are being tried at the Muslim masses.

(i) Fear

(ii) Depression

(iii) Impatience.

(i) The fear of death and destruction is being spread among the weak-hearted people. They are being told to realized that if they name Jihad, retain any relations with the Mujahideen or talk of their sovereignty, they will be ruined and wiped out. Moreover, this thing is also being inculcated in them that all the troubles to the Muslims are befalling only due to Jihad and the Mujahideen. They are being taught that only Jihad and the Mujahideen are hindrances in the way of their rapid economic development. Owing to fear, awe and cowardice, this group of the Muslims has turned into a bitter foe of Jihad.

(ii) The disappointment "What will happen now?" is being propagated among the Muslims who have some religious sparkle and passion in them. Islamic government of Afghanistan has ended. Iraq is going to be attacked. Pakistan's Atomic Programme is in danger. The Kashmir movement is breathing its last. The Palestinian Intifada movement is sobbing. Anti-Islamic powers are invincible. The Muslims are weak, helpless, depressed, powerless and dispersed etc. etc. Hence, now, there is no way out than to save ones own life some how or the other.

This group has also started feeling horror of Jihad and the Mujahideen. It is holding them responsible for all their troubles and miseries.

(iii) Impatience is being propagated among the emotional Muslims that all has ended up and the game is lost leading to "rise and do something fair or foul." This sect is causing loss to Jihad and the Mujahideen due to their futile passionate talk and emotional steps. These are the people who attack the minorities (a few Christians) and their Churches in the country. While in religion, there is no justification of such attacks, nor the problems of Islam and Muslims are going to be solved by killing helpless and unarmed people. The real enemies of Islam are not going to be harmed and harassed through such unlawful and immoral activities.

A lot of labour is being rendered for the Muslim rulers besides the masses. They are under heavy pressure and are being compelled to work against Jihad and the Mujahideen. The purpose of this pressure on the rulers is not to restore and establish peace in the world, or to put these countries on the way to progress, neither to strengthen their government but the only wish of the opponents of Islam is to launch horrible bloodshed among the Muslims. After that, they themselves want to watch the sights of their ruination sitting at a safe distance. Both the Palestinian Organization Hamas and Yasir Arafat are dangerous to the opponents of Islam, but their trick is that apparently they back up Yasir Arafat. They ensure him of their love, friendship and co-operation and then, as a price of this love and friendship, they will suck the blood of the members of Hamas. Now, if a

fight between Al-fatah and Hamas breaks out, the killed individuals on both the sides will be the Muslims. Their deaths being a cause of bliss and comfort to the devilish powers. In this way, these devilish powers will get rid of the group which is massacred and butchered in this fight. Still the Infidels will not tolerate the victorious group because they are an enemy to all Muslims. This was only an example, you can apply it to every Muslim country including Pakistan.

Jihad is purely an Islamic obligation and worship. Allah has mentioned it in hundreds of verses in the Holy Quran and the Holy Prophet ﷺ has described it emphatically in thousands of ahadith. This duty will continue till doomsday. It is certain and every person knows that Jihad has no remotest link with terrorism.

The whole Muslim Ummah agrees that the man who denies Jihad, turns atheist. However best efforts the Muslim rulers and masses may make to extirpate Jihad, they cannot succeed because it is a part and parcel of our faith (If they desert Jihad their faith is doubtful). Will they discard even the Holy Quran for the sake of this mortal life? Remember! Soon this demand from the infidels will be made, "The Muslims should omit the Jihad verses from the Holy Quran otherwise they will be wiped out."

Will this demand (Allah forbid) also be accepted? Are we not to die? Are we not to face Allah the Almighty on the day of Judgement? Have we forgotten that the Holy Prophet ﷺ was wounded in Jihad? He will come on the day of judgement with that wound fresh on his body. Can the candidates of the Houz-e-Kausar deny and oppose Jihad? What wrong has

Jihad done to them? Keep in mind that the kuffar (infidels) have gained power not due to Jihad but because most of the Muslims have turned their backs on Jihad. Hence, the root cause of our troubles is not participation in Jihad but deserting it. Have you forgotten the Holy Prophet's ﷺ commandment, "If you discard Jihad, humiliation and disgrace will be imposed upon you". Can we, the Muslim (masses and rulers) not tell the world emphatically, "Jihad is our Allah's commandment and our Prophet's Sunnah? We cannot give it up. As you enjoy the right to defend yourselves and secure power, we also deserve this right in the form of Jihad."

The Kuffar are to be humiliated and victory has been ordained to Islam. No one has been able to extirpate Jihad before this nor will any one be able to do so. There is a fixed time with Allah for every matter. What is the use of impatience, fear and disappointment? Allah is Omnipresent and He is the Helper of the Muslims. If we die, we shall go to Allah who is our Lord. He is helping us on every step, but we cannot discern the succour descending upon us due to our fear and depression.

We shall have to come out of the devilish traps of fear, disappointment, impatience and depression. We shall have to talk boldly with the whole world, "If you want peace, let us discourse upon the problems of the Muslims. You cannot end up Islam and Jihad by shedding blood of the Muslims and throwing bombs on children. Rather this thing is paving the way for your own ruination and digging your own graves."

O my sisters, a true Muslim never changes his ideology under the uncongeniality of the circumstances and never discards his belief. He faces

and fights with the circumstances and stands successful and glorious. Profanity is a lie and every lie is weak. Paganism is spurious and all spurious is to be wiped out. There occurs rise and fall in circumstances apparently, but Muslims' ideologies are firm as rocks. I have received letters of a few Muslim sisters. I am thankful to them that these sisters are surprisingly firm in their ideas and beliefs. (ماشاءاللہ لاقوۃ الاباللہ)

Efforts were also made to instigate and mould these sisters against Jihad. They did not desert their brothers and in this hour of trial, they did not side with the tyrants who did the nefarious job of imposing imputations and accusations against Mujahideen. These honorable and courageous sisters have proved that a Muslim changes the circumstances not the ideologies.

May Allah bless these sisters with abundance of blessings worthy of His Being. This is the auspiciousness of the prayers and pious religious passions that I was granted the courage and strength to write a few lines for the monthly Banaat-e-Aisha".

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CONTINUATION OF JIHAD

is a sign of the Lord being pleased

A child was weeping and some other people were also sobbing. The child's wailing voice was calling "Allah!" "Allah!". Then I heard cries and sighs behind me. I had not the courage to turn around and see them because the child's cries had also turned my heart accordant with him.

All this happened at eight in the evening nearly three or four days ago. We were coming to Bahawalpur from Karachi. The BBC news was being broadcast on the radio. An innocent, injured child, a newly blossomed flower of the Ummah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, an heirless

infant baby to billions of Muslim mothers, a brother to millions of sisters, a fragrant rose bound in the sacred bond of لا الہ الا اللہ was injured due to the American missiles and was weeping and crying. All the Mujhaideen sitting in the vehicle were also feeling the pangs and stings of pain. Then all the passengers also began to shed tears with that injured innocent child. Allah knows who else may not have shed warm tears. Would that the tyrants had apprehended the message of these tears! It is a fact that when the weeping people begin to make others weep, it takes no time in becoming cipher of the super. A short while ago, a building was the centre of International trade. Now there is only a deserted gloomy piece of land named "ground zero".

A number of Muslims are suffering from a great illusion and hence regard some of the so-called powers as invincible. This deception of the eyes has made the Muslims mental slaves to those so-called super powers. They have forgotten that they are the Ummah of the Prophet of wars and Jihad but are now yielding and giving in for nothing. Curse this media, would that Internet may ruin! Their portent has discouraged, paralysed and made coward the Muslim Ummah. Whatever was left undone, has now been done by the Urdu writers. When they try to collect the data of power and might, they present the sensual Infidels as قوی جابرین. Then the voluptuous and coward groups begin to beat the drum of peace and the intellectuals sitting in their houses, begin to tremble at the thunder of the missiles.

O what great sorrow is at our lot! The Holy Quran has said about

the hypocrites that they consider every calamity befalling them. The missiles and bombs were being shelled at Afghanistan. At that time, our intellectuals were shaking and trembling sitting in Pakistan. They were taunting the Afghans of being imprudent but they themselves were prostrating and saluting the tyrants in absentia. It is wonderful that the Afghan Muslims kept smiling even under the volleys of these bombs and missiles. At last, they wreaked vengeance on them at Tora Bora and then at Shahi Kot. Now, super power in their eyes, is that rat for whose prey, they excel one another.

Now, when the bombs and missiles are dropping on Iraq, our intellectuals are perspiring in Pakistan. Iraqi Muslims are causing perspiration to the tyrants while the shadows of fear are becoming thicker and grimmer here in Pakistan.

O Allah! Grant true Islamic faith to the people who call themselves Muslims. Make the lump of flesh throbbing in their chest, the heart of the Muslims. Endow the Muslim nation with the love of your meeting and visit. Rid our nation of the evil of fear and cowardice. Ameen.

The bosnian war was very cumbersome for the Muslims. Massacre, raping and mass graves were falling on the minds and hearts of the Muslims like bolts of lightning. The existence of a Muslim state in the heart of Europe was intolerable to the white. They carried out so intense tyranny, which the sparks of their vengeance kept enhancing for centuries. The white Infidels considered Bosnia to be a country cut off from the world of Islam. All the area around her was under the occupation of the tyrants.

Who would go there and listen to the cries of the Bosnian Muslims? Unaware of the sense of honour the Muslims hold, the blood-thirsty-wolves rushed at the weak Bosnian Muslims, but all of their dreams were thrown to the ground when the Mujahideen from all over the world, particularly the Arabian peninsula, rushed to Bosnia wildly and madly feeling the pain of the Bosnian Muslims. They erased the borders and trampled the lines of the maps under their feet. The slogans of "AlJihad! AlJihad!" began to resound in the heart of Europe. When Jihad atmosphere prevailed over the earth, the angels and Divine succour in the skies also became accordant with them. Then, at last, there prevailed over Europe such atmosphere of true belief (Eemaan) and sense of honour that in the twinkling of an eye, the lives of thousands of Muslims were changed. The negligent and lethargic Muslims made Jihad their Motto, grew beards and replaced jeans with Sunnah clothing. No doubt, the Bosnian Jihad became a cause for religious reform in the Muslims and revival of the grandeur and power of Islam.

On December 06, 1992, Babri Masjid (mosque) situated in Ayodia, in the Indian Province of Utter Pardesh, was demolished. This occurrence was no less than a horrible storm for the Muslims. Millions of Muslims came on the roads, thousands of them pledged to lay down their lives. More than two thousand Muslims were martyred. All this was very sorrowful. This incident estranged the Muslims from polytheism and drew them nearer to Islam. The unthoughtful Muslims who had made friends with polythists and had estranged themselves from Islam, at once, reversed and then there was so strong a movement for the sense of Islamic honour

that the prejudiced Hindu intellectuals were astounded.

Millions of Muslims repented of their sinful actions and reverted from the life of debauchery and hypocrisy to piety. A sense of religious honour also arose in women. So, now there is a large number of such true Muslims in India about whom it is said that they are the new Muslims as a result of the demolition of Babri Mosque. They are practical and honorable Muslims who are ready to lay down their lives for Islam.

The Muslims of south Asia were aroused due to the auspiciousness of Jihad in Afghanistan and Kashmir. The Chechnian and Tajikstani Jihad movement awakened the Middle Asia Muslims. The Bosnian Jihad developed a sense of honour and action among the Muslims of Europe. Warmth in the blood of the Indian Muslims became visible due to the demolishing of the Babri Mosque, but the Arabian Muslims were still lost in deep slumber. Hence, the spark of Jihad in them was on the whole extinct. The governments there hated rather were horrified by the word of Jihad. The lucky Arabs who had been ordained Jihad, had to proceed either to Afganistan, Bosnia or Chechnya.

Now, it seems that the lot of the Arabs is changing. The lamentations of the Arab martyrs have succeeded in knocking at the heights of the skies and drawing attention of their Lord. The Iraqi Jihad has inflamed a sense of religious honour among the Arabs. The sparks of honor hidden in the conscience of the Arabs are about to get rid of the ashes of voluptuousness. The Arabs are now writhing and weeping in repentence to go to the battlefield. They are about to break all the shackles and revert to

their golden past.

Compliments to the martyrs and soldiers of Iraq who gave a new light and life to Islam with their blood. Formerly, the light of Deen had reached Baghdad from the holy cities of Makkah and Madina. Now, the same light of Jihad is reaching the holy cities of Makka and Madina from Baghdad, Afghanistan, Bosnia and Chechnya.

Salah-ud-Din Ayubi's country is again becoming the graveyard for the evil ambitions of the Christians. Now, every Muslim is standing by the Iraqi Muslims. O Allah! We are present, help the Muslim Ummah. What will be the result of the Jihad of Iraq? There is no scope to write or say anything about it. Allah is Omniscient and Supreme and He does whatever He wishes. Who knew till yesterday how great disgrace, humiliation and shame America would have to face in Afghanistan? My Lord caused her vanity and pride to be reduced to a miserable extent. Now, when the magic of her awe and terror is breaking away and her economy is at the verge of bankruptcy, she has tried to restore her awe by attacking Iraq and occupying the treasures of oil. Her estimations are proving false and she is facing a heavenly storm and "Fedai" assailants. What will happen tomorrow? We do not know. However the continuation of Jihad is the symbol of Allah being pleased. When Jihad comes, it brings with it honour, grandeur and auspiciousness. Those who survive, are named the conquerors while the martyrs enjoy the special hospitality with Allah. All the Iraqi children, young men and the old are in the battlefield. They know that martyrdom is better than the life of irreligiousness and humiliation. Iraqi sisters have also

taken up arms and come to the battlefield. The time of death and decree of fate are inevitable and unalterable. but martyrdom is not death. It is life whether an individual or a nation faces it. Buildings keep being constructed and demolished. Anyone who comes in this world is to go. Only the lucky ones are blessed with the life of Jihad and killed as martyrs. It is such a great blessing that if the whole world is sacrificed for it, the bargain still stands cheap.

This is not the time to fear, show cowardice and to be suppressed by the awe and terror of the power of the kuffar. You (the Banaat-e-Aisha) should turn to Allah, repent of your sins, populate and lighten the darkness of the night with your prayers, sighs and implorings. Your Mujahid brothers are awaiting your prayers and sympathies.

happened on the 11th of September. The planes were destroyed, the buildings were burnt to ashes, a large number of people were killed and the tale ended but the plot started.

You ask which plot? Please read on. This story has only three big headlines: (1) The war broke out before time. (2) The snake cast off ist slough (3) The scale of trial was placed in the field of action. These headlines are not riddles but very bitter facts.

Secret preparations were taking place to start a great war against the Muslims, but the fact is that this war could not be hidden. The intellectuals perceived it. The sagacious people had apprehended it, but what one could do? America, Britain, Israel and India were busy in chalking out a crucial plan for this final and fateful war. The plan was very strong and obviously very confidential and secret.

In short, the whole world was to be made Spain; the oil of the Muslim world was to be usurped and Islam was to be paralysed and thrown aside. The plan comprised more conspiracy than an open fight. Afghanistan, Kashmir, Iraq, Egypt and Saudi Arabia were underlined with red while a circle was drawn around Pakistan. The project was to be fulfilled by 2010.

11th September drew the cat out of bag and unleashed this secret fight out into the open before time. That is why; this war seems raw, immature, tasteless and disorganized. The powers who wanted to win without fighting any battles or spending even a penny had to come to the battlefield. Those who were to be pinioned and be killed were suddenly

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ONLY THOSE BE DISAPPOINTED WHO HAVE NO LORD

Four aeroplanes were hijacked. How many were the hijackers? It has been settled that they were nineteen. It is said that out of them, sixteen young men belonged to Saudi Arabia, two to the UAE and one to Egypt. All the four planes were hijacked on the same day and at the same time. Two of them collided with the "World Trade Centre"; the third fell on the American defence centre "Pentagon"; and the fourth was flying to its target when the Americans shot it down in the deserts of Pennsalvaina. All this

untied and let loose. The whole world became the battlefield and an arena for the "big powers". The enemy who had covered himself with the skin of education, science, development, human rights and civilization, shed off its skin and began to roar and thunder, hiss and growl.

The claimants of Islam who were in majority, were began to be tried in the alembic of war. Now, the scale of trial has been put in the field of action. Hence, there will be a clear distinction between the liar and the truthful, the real Muslims will be sorted and screened out. The filth and dirt of the Islamic society will come forward in the shape of foam. Only this foam will be visible on the surface in the beginning. Later, it will dissolve and the genuine gold will begin to glitter.

Disappointment is the most dangerous disease that ever befalls man. It is the door of atheism and the ladder of slavery. It converts man into a fox. Millions of members of a disappointed nation are disgraced like sheep and goats and crushed like carrots by a few people. Disappointment crushes even the power of action and makes the whole nation into "Qawaals" (Musician and singers). Yes! The slavery-stricken and disappointed nations become expert in talking and babbling, but these utterances are totally devoid of good character and useful actions.

O my respected mothers and sisters! Now efforts are being made to innoculate us (the Muslims) with poisonous injections of disappointment and depression. Are you not hearing the hue and cry of "Hi! Hi!"? The voices "What will happen now? What will be done?" Are disorganising and shattering the whole nation.

It seems that the nation has become enslaved from head to foot like the sons of Israel and the whip of Pharaoh of the present day can lash the back of anyone he likes. In actual fact it is not so. Never! Not at all! By the Lord of the Holy Kaaba, never at all!

If the Taliban had been helpless, powerless and resourceless like the sons of Israel, and the Pharaoh of the time; the real Pharaoh or the real Dajjal (Great deceiver), the Taliban movement wound have met its end long ago. Mr Karzai would have been moving about freely and ruling supreme over Afghanistan safe and sound (While at present his regime is limited only to Kabul).

Mulla Muhammad Umar Mujahid (May Allah protect him) would have become part of a forgotten tale; not to speak of the very being of Sheikh Usama, even his name would have been erased and wiped out. The Jihad of Chechnya would have breathed its last. The Kashmir movement would have become part of the old fairy tales. The religious schools would have become extinct and religious organizations would have become long ago forgotten tales.

Epics in praise of General Garner would have been inscribed on each and every stone of Iraq and the White would have been welcomed from Umm-e-Qasr to Kurdistan. Inturn there rise only flames of hatred and scorn from all corners of the streets and deserts of Iraq.

Meditate and ponder please, you will find that Kufr is reverting to defeat and Islam is proceeding to triumph all over the world. Inspite of all their apparent might and power, the kuffar (infidels) move even to the

weakest Muslim under fear and fright; they call to a number of helpers and still their mission meets a humiliating and crushing defeat. Now, they have only two targets:-

1. To discourage the Muslims after frightening and harassing them.

2. To get the Muslims to draw daggers against each other.

Disappointment and fear are used as a tool to cause the Muslims to fight with one another.

O my great sisters! Do not let disappointment and fear enter your hearts. Only that person may be disappointed who has no Lord and only those should feel fear who is not to meet the Lord after death. The Muslim is always victorious whether he lives or dies. The only condition is that the believer should remain sincerely attached to Islam and Jihad and should not yield to the kuffar due to fear and disappointment. Open the Holy Quran at part four and recite the verses from 143 to 148. Read their interpretation (Tafseer) in the Tafseer Usmaani or any other authentic Tafseer. All of your fear will vanish. Disappointment will flee away hiding its face meekly and humbly. The fact will dawn upon you that under the uncongeniality of circumstances, the Muslim does not prostrate before the enemy but bows only before one Allah.

Besides using other tactics to spread disappointment among the Muslims, the religious and Jihad organizations are being pushed to disruption and disorganization. In the beginning, a few individuals are enticed and induced to heinous misdeeds. Then they are harassed and blackmailed to create disruption in the organizations otherwise the clamp of

the law is to be tightened upon them. Have a look around yourselves and see that the people who were the aspirants of military action till yesterday; are today bearing the torches of disruption among the organizations. They have completely forgotten the courageous actions and are harping on the string of separation and peace. Be vigilant! There is no strong and deep-rooted disruption in the organizations as is being propagated or as is being told to our sisters who love Jihad etc. There is nothing of this sort, all this is an effort to discourage the Muslims and a conspiracy to defame the individuals whom Allah has made a source for the revival of Deen and Jihad all over the world.

This is the time of trial, this is the time of total trust. The people, who were not mundane in good times, have also not sold out now. Allah be ever thanked under uncongenial circumstances. All good things and congenial circumstances are present even today but the grim shadows of propaganda do not let the Muslims see them. It is the duty of the Daughters of Aisha[ra] to take over the charge in the practical field remaining within Shariah limits and make a mess of the movement being run against the Mujahideen. The only source of protection for the organization is to nourish loyalty with the Markaz (HQ) otherwise there can neither come unity; nor disruption be controlled.

Allah be thanked many times! Your brothers have not shown any disloyalty to Deen and Jihad. If you cannot discern clearly in the storm of negative propaganda, clean your eyes by shedding tears in the last hours of the night. You will then feel that the real time for practical work has started

while we are wasting these precious moments in weeping and wailing in disappointment and depression. O Allah! Guide us all. O Allah! Guide the Daughters of Aisha". Ameen.

وصلى الله تعالىٰ علىٰ خير خلقه سيدنا محمد واله واصحابه اجمعين

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A FEW INEVITABLE OBLIGATIONS

OF THE BANAAT-E-AISHA"

Now the need for this fact has certainly increased that our sisters should take over some responsibilities in an organised way. Fighting in the way of Allah is one of the most important obligations of Islam. Islam cannot be complete without this duty. The Holy Quran is replete with the verses bearing the message of this obligation. The opposition of Jihad is the opposition of Islam and the Holy Quran wereas the extinction of Jihad means the worst humiliation, torment and disgrace to the Muslim Ummah. Now if all the Muslim men and women in our country do not safeguard this holy duty, no one will escape Allah's torment. It is the duty of every

Muslim to defend Islam and the Holy Quran. This protection can be possible only when such firm sincerity and loyalty to Jihad is shown as was shown by the early men and women among the great companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Torment due to discarding Jihad is inevitable, but most of our houses are wretchedly wrapt in this same torment. Quarrels, disputes, charms, spells, the flood of immodesty and irreligiousness, fiscal problems, senselessness, class-distinction and what not else! The snakes of disease, anxiety and worry wriggle every where. There is peace neither at the home nor in the graves. We forsook Allah and were humiliated so greatly that there is no one in the world who may inquire after us. The Holy Prophet ﷺ has said clearly, "If you do not revert to Jihad, this humiliation will remain imposed upon you". His ﷺ saying is inevitable and ever true.

Look around yourselves and your surroundings with open eyes. "What do you see except restlessness and disgrace. How heinous sinful actions are being nourished in such beautiful homes! How horrible diseases are roaring in so grand hospitals! How beastly hearts are suppressing the pure and artless faces and how guile looks are crushing the guileless looks! Would that someone may think! Would that someone may understand!

My esteemed and loved sisters! Our protection and security lies only in reverting to Deen and Jihad. So long as women do not lend an active helping hand in this job; it can not gain firm grounds on this earth. The intelligence services are once again active to put out the candle of Jihad. Preparations are in full swing to strangle the throats and bridle the

tongues of the countrymen only to win the good-will of the foreign tyrants (America). The plans to sell divine injunctions like Jihad for a few dollars are under process. All this would have licked the dust and met humiliation if the Muslims had only a slight sincere and conscious relation with Jihad. Would that I had the weapons with which I might have killed the word "suspiciousness!" This dirt of suspiciousness is thrown only at Jihad and the Mujahideen; "Such and such lady has grown distrustful of Jihad. Such and such sister has grown suspicious of Mujahideen. The Daughters of Aisha ؓ of such and such area have developed misgiving of the organisation. Suspiciousness, distrustfulness and misgiving ...." of what type is all this oddity! Whereas you know that the whole of Kufr and hypocrisy is against the Mujahideen, both the Self and the devil are attacking the Mujahideen. On the other hand, the Mujahideen have not remained in a position to describe all the proceedings of their doings. Moreover, the news concerning Mujahideen has to be censored and not allowed to be brought to the public view.

In this situation, the sisters should have thrown away the word "suspiciousness" like nasty carrion and should have remained attached to the work firmly and strongly. No doubt, some of the Mujahideen have also fallen a prey to the machinations of the Self and the devil and are withdrawing from the organization through overweaning pride, but what business do these sisters have with it? The Markaz which had wakened and attached them with this sacred task is, by the grace of Allah, safe and sound. This Markaz has not played treachery with Islam or Jihad rather it

continued this positive task even in the face of all dangers. If all of our sisters are detached from the Markaz due to a signed statement, what good will they do? What kind of religious service have these people who have offered the writing, rendered to these sisters? When have they provided them any religious guidance? The only bitter aspect is that this writing has made unsuccessful efforts to discontinue the allowance provided to the families of martyrs. By Allah, take hold of your task and percieve its greatness instead of wasting your time. Advance this task with all your will and labour, Every deed which is done on the basis of sincerity for the sake of Allah, is opposed and suppressed. Efforts are made to stop and crush it, but since the beginning, no one has been able to put out the light of Allah with their nefarious blows. Moreover, our duty always requires sacrifice. Hence, whatever is lost in it; is not lost but is accepted by Allah.

The workers remain busy with their work all the time, they have no spare time to offer justifications or to wash away misgivings. On the other hand, the mischief-mongers and propagandists are always free. They have no duty either to provide sustenance to the families of martyrs or to look after the prisoners, or have the tension to invite people to Jihad or danger of the machinations of the enemy. They are always bent upon mischief-mongering, telling lies and creating suspiciousness against Jihad among the people; and consequently, the credulous, immature and weak-minded people are duped by their slick tongues.

These people should be asked if all these defects really existed in the Markaz and the organization, why all of them remained attached with it

till yesterday. Then it can also be inquired of them if all these evils and vices are present in the Markaz and the organization, why they talk of reconciliation with the organization and demand that if such and such persons are invited back, they will be satisfied and work happily for Jihad. The sane people who have bothered to inquire about these things from the people who hold "power of the pen", have become safe from their wickedness. On the other hand, a group without having taken a thought, was taken in by their slick tongues and are now harming themselves. May Allah show them the right path and also grant us with perseverance to remain firm on the right path. The sisters should take on them the following responsibilities in an organized way:

(i). Looking after the families of the martyrs.

(ii). Financial co-operation for the release of the prisoners and looking after their families.

(iii). Delivering and distributing the cassettes and books which bear the message of Jihad.

(iv). Active advertisement and circulation of the weekly "Shamsheer" and monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha" to widen the circle of its readers.

(v). Looking after the families of the members of the organization in case of their arrest and making efforts to keep the passion for Jihad alive among the Muslim Ummah.

These five tasks are very easy and useful and beneficial on the day of judgement and also worthy of earning honour for Islam in this world. We have set the task before you and have conveyed the message. Do not

hesitate to perform these five duties remaining within the limits of Shariah, avoiding prohibitions, unveiling yourselves and mixing with ghayr-mehram (from whom parda (veil) is compulsory). If you require any suggestion in this respect, do write a letter. If you have some useful proposal in this regard, do inform us please through a messenger or write a letter. May Allah grant you with such strength through His special blessings!

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THE POSTAL SYSTEM

During thirteen months' detention, the process of recieving letters and dispatching answers was nearly hampered. I probably replied to only a few letters and then.... after my release, this process could not be restored on the instant. Now, Allah be thanked, a number of letters have been received in the last two months and their replies have also been despatched.

The mail received by me comprises numerous kinds of letters:

(1) Letters Written by the Prisoners: This is, Allah be thanked, a very important and sacred task, may this process continue so long as these companions are not released! One copy of the letters which we receive is despatched to the families of those prisoners. If it is impossible to send the

copy of the letter, the original one is sent. As a number of duties are required in these letters, this department consisting of two individuals do all these jobs. Disclosing more details in this regard is not appropriate at the moment. All the readers are requested to make it their permanent routine to pray for these great persons who are imprisoned for the cause of Allah.

(2) Corrective Letters: The ladies and gentlemen who have pledged an oath of allegiance for their correction and training, write letters to describe their daily routine work. This process is also very useful. Allah be thanked, a number of Muslims have benefited from it.

(3) Organizational Letters: Many people send us suggestions in connection with the working of the organization. Some people applaud its performance while in many other letters, the shortcomings of the organization are also pointed out. Such letters are very carefully and minutely read and sorted out. If there is a complaint against someone, this letter is sent to the department of the Imperatives for Goodness or the responsible members of the concerned department for inquiry. On the other hand, the letters bearing acceptable and important suggestions are put in the meeting of the governing body.

(4) Letters Pertaining to War Letters: The sisters and brothers who nourish a passion for Jihad and yearning for martyrdom also write letters to express such passions and the determination to offer themselves for every kind of sacrifice for Islam. There is always an abundance of such letters in the mail. Which is a very good thing!

(5) Eulogizing Letters: Several Muslims write letters to express their

religious love and their liking and bliss concerning books, cassettes and many other references.

(6) Letters of Criticism: Some people write letters to criticise me through different angles and express their wrath. I read these letters very carefully and try to analyse whether this criticism is fair or foul. As these people do not write their name and epistolary address, I am unable to offer thanks to these people. After my release from India, when the framing of this organization was declared, a number of pinching and admonishing letters werereceived. Now, a few anonymous letters are received with reference to the present situation.

(7) Inquisitive Letters: Many ladies and gentlemen write different questions concerning Deen and Jihad. Some people ask for a suggestion on the books they should read. Many people inquire of different issues and propositions. A number of people send letters asking the interpretations of their dreams. Many people seek advice about their life and future career or demand some benediction and incantation for the solution of their problems.

(8) Invitation Letters: Some people write letters to invite me to participate in processions or meetings, wedding cards also include them. The heirs of the martyrs also write letters to visit their houses or their areas.

After reading these kinds of letters, you must have estimated how vast the mailing field is and in this age of fast electronic media, how many concerns are done through letters. I never consider the letters any burden on me rather it is auspiciousness and good luck and a source of link with my

Muslim brothers and sisters. However, every thing has some manners and etiquettes. A number of requests concerning mail have already been made. Now, keeping a number of irregularities in view, I again feel the need to express a few things.

(i). The letter should be brief and precise as much as possible. Reading detailed letters is itself a very difficult job and as both the brothers have to spend their time in it, such letters should be avoided. It will not be possible to reply the lengthy letters in future. Apologizing to you in anticipation as a good writing is always free of extravagances.

(ii). A warm welcome to the letters which the heirs of the martyrs write for financial support and co-operation. It will be more useful and appropriate if firstly they write direct to the concerned department and then to me if they wish to lodge any complaint.

(iii). The offices of the weekly "Shamsheer" and monthly "Banaat-e-Aisha" are in Karachi. The letters for publication should be written directly to these offices.

(iv). Do send a reply envelope and also write down your address on it. Allah be thanked, most of the letters contain the reply envelope but those without reply envelopes are also no less in number. I have replied to these letters in the past, but no promise in this regard exists in future. Do send a stamped and self-addressed envelope if you require a reply to your letter.

(v). Those who write letters for their correction should keep in mind that the monthly letter from them is an essential part of their reformatory course. Also keep in mind that a number of spiritual beneficences are

gained only by writing letters and many diseases are automatically cured. Hence, do not suspend writing letters waiting for a reply of some previous letter, rather you should write the letter whether you receive a reply or not. Sometimes, the reply is not made intentionally, so you should not be involved in any anxiety or worry.

(vi). Send only one letter in one envelope. I feel easy in replying to such letters. Some companions send a number of letters in an envelope making it very difficult for me to keep them safe and replying them.

(vii). Do not write Quranic verses in the letter except in case of dire exigency, it may cause dishonor and disgrace to the Holy Quran. If you write some request or commendation, do not set strict terms and conditions. For example, it is written in some letters "The instant you read my letter, do get up, offer supererogatory prayers and ask benediction for my sake....." I often happened to read such a letter in the car during the journey. It is the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ to request others for benediction, but strict conditions should not be imposed. It is my regular routine that as soon as I read the letter requiring benedictions, I invoke Allah's blessings on the Holy Prophet ﷺ and then pray for that person.

(viii). General religious problems can be discussed through letters. If you require a Fatwa (legal opinion), please resort to an office that issues legal opinions affiliated to an authentic religious institution.

(ix). If you write a letter of complaint on the non-receipt of the reply, do write the date of the posting of that letter.

It is hoped that you will keep these requests in mind and continue

writing the letters. the postal address is;

Muhammad Masood Azhar,

House # 1260/108-6B,

Model Town B,

Kousar Colony,

Bahawalpur, Pakistan.

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A NEW BOOK

All praise to Allah, a number of books have been brought out till now and they have been published time and again. As these books are very comprehensible, not only brothers but our sisters have also utilized them. A number of institutions have published them in the past, depending on the circumstances, but now, Maktaba Hasan has taken it on their publication. This Maktaba which is dedicated to our Teacher and Guide Maulana Wali Hasan Tonky, by the grace of Allah published nearly forty books. Recently, this institution has published a book on the topic of Allah's sacred names titled "Tohfa-e-Saadat". This is the blessing of the holy names of Allah that

many editions have been brought out within a year. The Muslim ladies have given it special appreciation in particular. Many of our sisters have written very strange and novel letters with regard to this book and their own condition. A brief summary of those letters is that Allah has blessed them with a number of religious, spiritual and moral benefits through this book. Recently, many true lovers of the Holy Names of Allah have purchased hundreds of its volumes and distributed them among the Muslims. The Muslims have a natural love and attachment with this book because Allah Himself has taught these names and has ordered us to beg of Him through the invocation of these names. Every injunction of the Sage is always full of philosophy and benefit. Hence, the people who have developed understanding of these names are earning benefits of both this world and the Hereafter due to the blessings of these names. This book contains Allah Almighty's ninety nine sacred names, their translation, their numbers, their efficacy and peculiarity while at the end of the book, proved incantations of these holy names for the solution of the problems have also been penned down.

(i) Reformation of the Self and exoneration from sinful actions.

(ii) The heart's light and spirituality.

(iii) Security of ones own children and other members of the family.

(iv) Safety and release from imprisonment.

(v) Search for the lost

(vi) Acquisition of children from Allah.

(vii) Blessings in livelihood.

(viii) Retentive power of the memory.

(ix) Treatment of diseases.

(x) Safety from the machinations of the enemy.

(xi) Rescue from awe and fear.

(xii) Blessing and safety from nature.

(xiii) Prayer for dream serving as augury.

(xiv) Safety from the machinations of corrupt rulers.

(xv) Useful recitals of Allah's Names for officers and responsible ones.

(xvi) Beneficial and useful recitals particularly on Thursdays.

(xvii) Useful recitals on Fridays

Moreover, the methods to read these sacred names and the methods to find Allah's characteristic name according to one's own name are also written in it. I intend to insert a few pages more in it as soon as I find time. May Allah grant me with the strength to do so! The fact is that as soon as I come to know that a Muslim has started recital of these holy names and is escaping sinful actions due to its blessings or his problems are being solved, I feel real happiness and peace of mind. O Allah! Make all of us ones who beg only of You and make Your holy names the daily routine of our sayings and actions. Ameen.

A very short time before this book, a pocket-sized useful and comprehensive book "Eemaani Humsafar" (religious travelogue) was published from Maktaba Hasan. As its name indicates, this book is no doubt really a religions travelogue for every Muslim. Different Sunnah (tradition of the Prophet ﷺ) recitals meant for the mornings and the

evenings, different incantations for different situations and timings and Sunnah recitals for Jihad with their references have been enumerated.

Excellences of benediction to the Holy Prophet ﷺ and their five traditional methods have also been given. Moreover, the daily routine of the Mujahid and a questionnaire for self-assessment have also been added. Forty Ahadith (sayings of the Prophet ﷺ) from Sahih Bukhari and Sahih Muslim on the subject of Jihad with text and translation have been written entitled "Forty Genuine Pearls". "Prayer of the Hanafites" completely according to the sayings of the Holy Prophet ﷺ including Forty Ahadith with the title "Forty Flowers" have been narrated. At the end of the book, commandments about travelling in brief have been enumerated so that the traveller may be able to perform prayers, oblations and dry oblation according to Shariah. This pocket book comprising 134 pages is the basic need of every Muslim man and woman. All praise to Allah the Almighty, a large number of Muslims have benefited from this book. Hence, it has been published many a time and is being published again and again.

One of the books, published at Maktaba Hasan, which received most appreciation, is "Fadhaail-e-Jihad Kaamil." Fromerly it was published only in Urdu, but now its Pushto edition has also been published and is at present being translated into English and Sindhi. The Urdu edition of the book has been published many times; the demand is so much we have to publish it every third or fourth month. This book was written in Kot Bhalwal prison in the Jammu area of Kashmir and enjoys specials blessings of Allah. Consequently, hundreds of Muslims have taken part in practical

Jihad after reading this book. All the aspects from the obligation of Jihad to its excellences and commandments have been discussed in the book. Complete discussion with references on the justification of "Fedai attack" and detailed lectures for the reformation of the Mujahideen is a part of the book. The memoirs of venturesome youngmen of the Muslim Ummah, details of battles the Holy Prophet ﷺ carried out against the infidels. Incidents of Jihad which cause the eyes to shed tears are penned down in it. The blessings of bravery and boldness, condemnation of cowardice and methods of its remedy are also mentioned. Generally, this book is on the whole a great gift for the Muslims but the mention of the strategies of war at the end of the book is its speciality. If you want to swim in the sea of Jihad, please read this book for a few days, by the grace of Allah, the passion for Jihad will begin to sprout not only in the heart but also in the blood. Allah the Almighty blessed the writer of the book Hazrat Allama Ibn-al-Aaas Abu Zakaria Ahmad Bin Ibrahim Bin Muhammad Damascan (may Allah shower His blessings upon him) with martyrdom in 814 A.H. The book written by such a practical minded writer is really a masterpiece for the Islamic Library. The précis and explanation of this same book has been presented with the title "Fadhaail-e-Jihad". Moreover, analysis according to the present times has also been offered. Hence, this book has become the call of the present like the past.

Allah blessed the book "Forty Diseases of the Jews" with great popularity. The following things have been mentioned in this book.

(i) Detailed list of the verses revealed in the Holy Quran about the

Jews.

(ii) What is the difference between Jewdaism and Hebraism.

(iii) Have Jews (Allah forbid) become unconquerable?

(iv) How does Hebraism penetrate into the Muslims?

(v) How did the nation upon whom "Mann-o-Salwa" descended from the skies become the most accursed?

(vi) Why did the nation among whom thousands of Prophets علیہ سلام were born, fall into the deep trenches of humiliation and backwardness.

(vii) Struggle against Hebraism; and Jihad against the Jews.

(viii) The forty diseases of the Jews of which the Muslims should avoid and keep away.

(ix) A beautiful and religious passions-provoking comparison between the forefathers of the Jews and the great companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, (such an analysis as may create love for the companions of the Prophet ﷺ and hatred against the Jews).

(x) Panacea alchemies for the reformation of the "Self".

(xi) The origin of religious bargaining and hiding the reality.

(xii) Detailed commentary on atheism.

(xiii) Mischief of the present times and their ruinations.

(xiv) Condemnation of lies and the best methods to safeguard against it.

(xv) How great trouble niggardliness is and how protection against it is possible?

(xvi) Hundreds of Quranic verses, authentic Ahadith and moral lectures.

Besides the above mentioned things, there is a call to religion at the

end of every chapter. Allah has blessed numerous Muslims with spiritual benefits through this book. A number of editions of the book have been published and are being brought out regularly. Besides these four books, the following are other books published at Maktaba Hasan:

"Zaad-e-Mujahid" (Provisions for the Mujahid): A detailed discussion on the system of Jihad organizations, reform of the Mujahideen, and discipline and organization of different departments of Jihad. An english version of the book has also been published. At the end of the book, those qualities of the Mujahideen have been mentioned whose revival is essential. An important topic of the book is the mental preparation for the acceptance of the consequences of Jihad. Satisfactory answers to the objections of the present times can also be seen in this book written years ago.

"Independence Complete or Partial": Are we completely independent? Searching the answer to this question, the following topics have been discussed in detail:

(i) The causes of the British' quitting India.

(ii). Three snakes imposed upon the Muslims by the British.

(iii). Religious sectarianism.

(iv). System of British education.

(v). Feudalism based on territory and language.

(vi). Opposition of the religious scholars against the division of India and dogmatic arguments from both the sides.

(vii). Three sects of the scholars.

(viii). Who are the real successors of our forefathers?

(ix). Three arrangements of the scholars against the three snakes imposed upon the Muslims by the British.

(x). Religious institutions and three troubles faced by them.

(xi) Shrine system and the dangers befalling it.

(xii). Tableeghi (missionary) class and the dangers faced by it.

(xiii). A true and just comparison between schools, colleges and religious institutions.

(xiv). Need for the political platfrom etc.

"Lessons of Jihad": It is a collection of essays which may fill the heart with passion for Jihad. In these essays, Jihad has been discussed from the very beginning to the end. It is a small sized book which inculcates the passion for Jihad in the mind and the heart.

"Smiling Injuries" (Muskaratay Zakham): This is an account of the first six months of six years' imprisonment. Why had I to go to India? When, where and how was I arrested? The heart-rending details of the Indian torture cells, Indian soldiers' names as they themselves are and much more... a smiling, simpering, weeping and vexing writing.

"Addresses of Jihad": Thirty six comprehensible and detailed speeches on Jihad..... which are made even more authentic and useful after revision. Now it has been published in two volumes after the addition of latest addresses.

"Teachings of Jihad": The first volume comprising three portions after correction and revision with complete authentic references

has been published. The list of all the verses concerning Jihad has also been inserted at the end of the book. It is a unique Jihad gift containing more than a hundred questions and answers. An english version of the book has been published and a number of its editions have been brought out.

"Maaerka": It is a collection of seventy five essays which used to be published in Dharb-i-Mumin under the title "Maaerka".

"Behind the Bars of Imprisonment": These are the articles which were written during imprisonment and were published in different journals from time to time.

"Journals of Jihad": A comprehensive collection of about twelve booklets and articles.

All praise to Allah! Maktaba Hasan is always active in imparting complete call for Deen to the Muslims and has published a number of other books besides the above mentioned ones. This sacred task of publishing useful books still continues, more than five books are under the process of preparation as I write. We have offered a brief introduction to some of the books so that the Muslims may have easy access to them. Thousands of these books have been brought out without any advertising campaign and now the English versions of many of these books are available on the Internet and some of them are for sale on the websites. Particularly, the English version of "Fundamentalism", "Jihad, a Blessing or Anarchy", "Independence; Complete or Partial", "I also Have a Question", "Ah! Babri Masjid", "Fadhaail-e-Jihad" were published but they are rare these days.

The Muslim sisters are requested to pray earnestly for the publication and safety of these books. All these books are a religious asset and a humble religious service. May Allah grant this service with His acceptance and make it useful for the Muslim Ummah. As these books have proved useful for sisters besides our brothers, we did not feel any need for the separate and special publication of any book for our sisters. Lately, the institution has set high aims of publishing separate books on a permanent basis for the ladies and the start of this sacred task is being made with the publication of the editorials of "Monthly Banaat-e-Aisha" " and some other articles. All can openly see the popularity which Allah has granted to the "Monthly Banaat-e-Aisha"". Allah has made good efforts of the Mujahideen a source of a number of women's religious reformation and spiritual elevation. This magazine has beeen published for the last three years regularly. Allah granted me with the strength to write the editorials of its first twelve volumes. During my detention, this chain was interrupted, but once again, Allah be thanked, I am lucky enough to write the editorials. A book going to be published under the little "O Muslim Sister!" comprises all these editorials and some other articles. Maktaba Hasan enjoys the auspiciousness to render this service to the Muslim sisters, may this book prove useful to them. Pray to Allah for His special favours and that Allah makes it a special source of the compiler's salvation!

وما ذالک علی اللہ بعزیز

وصلی اللہ تعالی علی خیر خلقہ سیدنا محمد وعلی آلہ واصحابہ وازواجہ اجمعین.